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Annual Report

OF THE

City of Burlington, Vt.

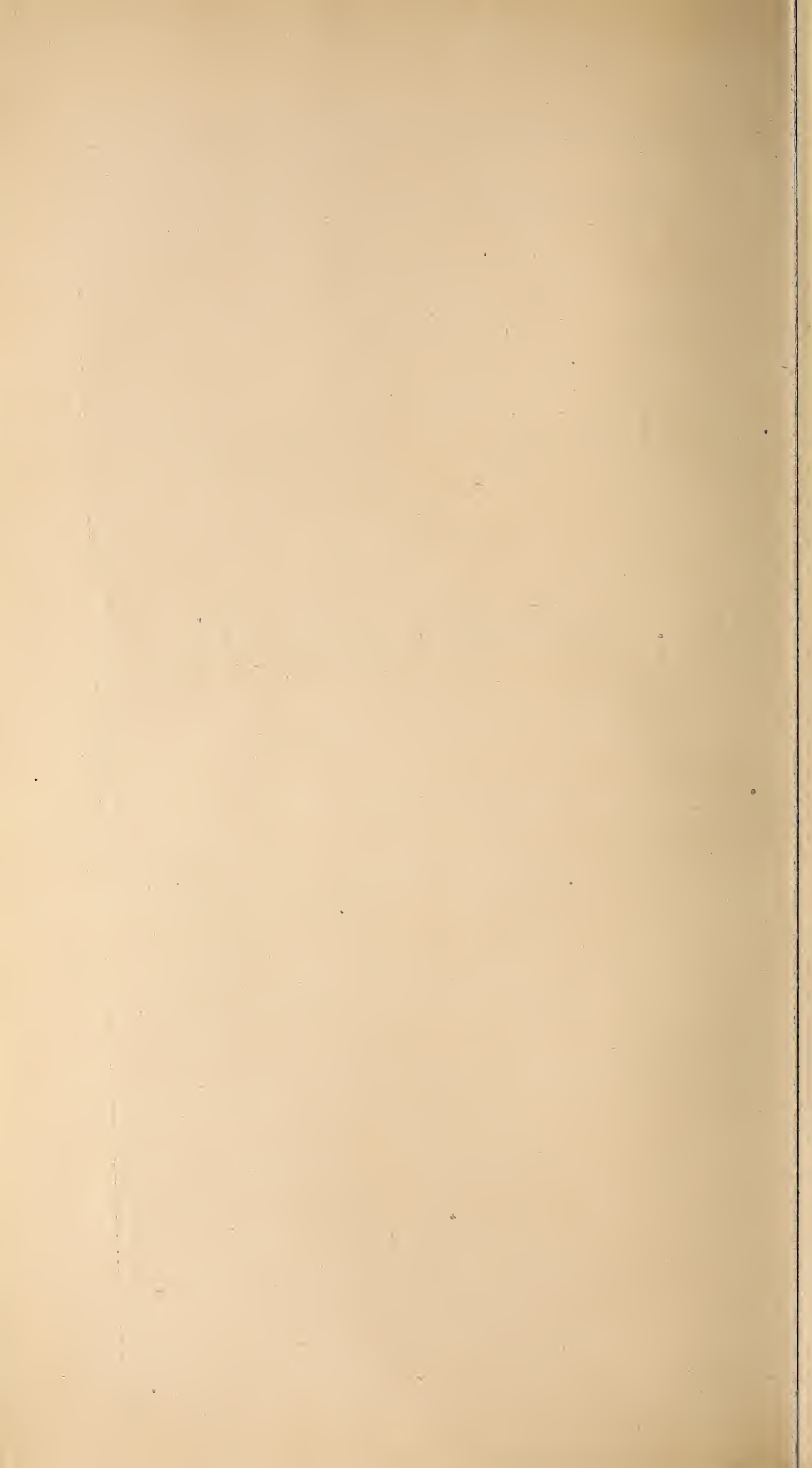
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1874.



NINTH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
CITY GOVERNMENT
OF THE
CITY OF BURLINGTON, VT.,
FOR THE
MUNICIPAL YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31ST,
1873.

BURLINGTON:
FREE PRESS STEAM JOB PRINTING HOUSE,
1874.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, JAN. 5, 1874.

The following Resolution presented by Ald. BLODGETT was read and adopted :

Resolution relating to the publication of the "Ninth Annual Report" of the City of Burlington.

CITY OF BURLINGTON.

In the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four. }

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

The City Clerk is hereby directed to prepare the Annual Reports of the several City Officers, for the year ending December 31, 1873, for publication. And under the direction of the Mayor, to procure printed 1000 copies thereof, for circulation among the taxpayers of the City. The Mayor is authorized to award the printing of said Report to such office as will do the work upon the most favorable terms.

Approved, January 7th, 1874.

L. C. DODGE, Mayor.

GOVERNMENT AND OFFICERS
OF THE
CITY OF BURLINGTON. VT.,
January 1st, 1874.

MAYOR :

Hon. Luther C. Dodge,

Term expires 1st Monday in April, 1874.

Hon. Jo D. Hatch,

President of the Board of Aldermen.

City Judge :

Milton R. Tyler,

Term expires 1st Monday in April, 1874.

Clerk of City Court : .

William H. Root,

Appointed by City Judge.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN,

JO D. HATCH, *President of the Board of Aldermen.*

ALDERMEN.

WARDS.

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|----|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. | JO D. HATCH, | Term expires April, 1875. |
| | SHERMAN B. RICKERSON, | " " " 1874. |
| 2. | ALONZO W. ALLEN, | " " " 1875. |
| | ALPHONSE GRAVEL, | " " " 1874. |
| 3. | HEMAN R. WING, | " " " 1874. |
| | ROBERT C. ROWE, | " " " 1875. |
| 4. | JAMES A. SHEDD, | " " " 1874. |
| | CHARLES W. LIPPITT, | " " " 1875. |
| 5. | GILES S. APPLETON, | " " " 1874. |
| | CALVIN H. BLODGETT, | " " " 1875. |

Clerk of the Board: WM. H. ROOT.

Rules of the Board of Aldermen.

AS ADOPTED 1873.

RULE I. The President of the Board shall be elected at the meeting held on the first Monday in April of each year.

RULE II. In the absence of the President, the Clerk shall call the Board to order, and a member shall be elected to preside during that meeting; and in the absence of the Clerk, the Board may elect a member to serve as Clerk *pro tempore* for that meeting.

RULE III. The Clerk of the Board of Aldermen shall keep a full and accurate journal of the proceedings of the Board, and at each meeting of the Board, the journal of the preceding meeting shall be read and approved, all errors therein having been corrected.

RULE IV. In case a quorum of Aldermen shall not assemble within fifteen minutes from the time appointed, those present may send for the absentees and compel their attendance; and for this purpose the President shall issue his warrant to the Constable or such other person as he may designate, who shall secure the attendance of such absentees.

RULE V. And in case any member willfully absents himself from any meeting of which he has notice he shall be subject to such fine as may be imposed upon him by a vote of the Board, not exceeding twenty dollars, or be publicly reprimanded by the President. And on any question relating to such absentee, he shall not be permitted to vote, but he shall be heard in his own behalf. No member shall be absent without leave unless he is sick or otherwise necessarily detained.

RULE VI. All proceedings shall be conducted with decorum and according to parliamentary usages and rules, except as the same may be altered by these rules.

RULE VII. The Presiding officer shall bestyle the President, and be addressed as such, and every member when he speaks shall stand, unless excused from so doing, and address the President, and when he has finished, shall sit down.

RULE VIII. It shall be the duty of the President to preserve order and decorum and when any member shall be called to order, he shall sit down; and every question of order shall be decided by the President without debate, subject to an appeal to the Board; and on appeal from the decision of the President, the question shall be open to debate, giving to the President the right to open the same, but no member shall speak more than once upon such question, except the President, who may close the debate, when the vote shall be taken by *yeas* and *nays*, and the decision shall be treated as the rule until reversed by a vote of the Board.

RULE IX. The President shall appoint from time to time such committees as may be ordered by the Board, and said committees shall consider such subjects as are referred to them, and

report thereon—which report shall be signed by a member of such committee, who shall be responsible for the language of the same, and for its accuracy; and when the same is under consideration, he shall be further liable to give additional statements of facts, or other explanation in answer to the call of any Alderman.

RULE X. There shall be kept a journal of the proceedings of the Board, wherein shall be entered the titles of all ordinances, by-laws, resolutions, rules and motions, and the names of all the Aldermen who introduced the same, or make a motion in relation thereto, and all votes with the names of all the Aldermen voting thereon whenever the *yeas* and *nays* shall have been called for.

RULE XI. No ordinance or by-law shall pass until the same has been ordered to be read three times; and on motion of a member, the same may, upon the second reading, be referred to a committee, who shall examine and report upon the same. All amendments shall be proposed before any ordinance or by-law shall be ordered to be read the third time, and twenty-four hours shall intervene between the second and third reading, and between the third reading and the passage of the same.

RULE XII. At the regular meeting, held on the first Monday of each month, the Board of Aldermen shall meet in the evening, as follows: from April 1st to October 1st at 7.30 o'clock, and from October 1st to April 1st at 7.00 o'clock.

RULE XIII. In the appointment of officers the members shall call the name of the person they desire to appoint, on the call of their names by the Clerk, unless the Board by unanimous consent otherwise direct; and any member may call for the yeas and nays, upon any question, except motions to adjourn; and no member shall be excused from voting unless he is personally interested in the question, except by unanimous consent; and whenever the question before the Board of Aldermen shall be upon the passage of an ordinance, by-law, resolution or vote, *notwithstanding the objection of the Mayor*, the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays.

RULE XIV. All resolutions offered in the Board shall be properly entitled, folded and filed, before the same shall be entertained by the President.

RULE XV. There shall be appointed by the Board in the month of April in each year, the following standing committees, of three members each, viz.:

- 1st. A committee on Accounts and Claims.
- 2d. A committee on the Street Department.
- 3d. A committee on the Pauper Department.
- 4th. A committee on the Fire Department.
- 5th. A committee on the Water Department.
- 6th. A committee on Public Buildings.
- 7th. A General committee.
- 8th. A committee on School Affairs.
- 9th. A committee on Liquor Agency.

OFFICERS

APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Terms expire April 25th, 1874,
Excepting Cemetery Commissioners and Assessors.

City Treasurer, GREENE D. WELLER.

Collector of Taxes, G. D. WELLER.

City Attorney, R. H. START.

City Clerk, W. H. ROOT.

Constable, H. S. WHITE.

CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HIRAM S. WHITE.

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS.

1st, JOHN H. CROMBIE, 3rd, GEO. A. RUMSEY.

2nd, WM. SMITH, 4th, EDW. F. LUCAS.

FIRE WARDENS.

Ward 1, ORVILLE SINCLAIR. Ward 3, N. B. FLANAGAN.

Ward 2, HENRY GREENE. Ward 4, G. D. WELLER.

Ward 5, F. M. VAN SICKLEN.

STREET COMMISSIONERS.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE, ON STREETS AND
HIGHWAYS, OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

CHIEF OF POLICE.

LUMAN A. DREW.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

ABNER B. LOWRY.

AUDITORS.

S. M. POPE, CHAS. F. WARD, L. B. ENGLESBY.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

DAN LYON, - - Term expires April 25th, 1876.
 NATHANIEL PARKER, - Term expires April 25th, 1874.
 H. H. DOOLITTLE, - Term expires April 25th, 1875.

CITY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR.

V. G. BARBOUR, - - Term expires April 25th, 1874.

SUPT. CITY WATER WORKS.

WM. ZOTTMAN, - - Term expires April 25th, 1874.

SUPT. OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

HENRY L. DODGE.

CITY GRAND JURORS.

JULIUS W. RUSSELL, HAMILTON S. PECK.

FENCE VIEWERS.

F. J. HENDEE, EDWARD J. FAY.

Inspector of Leather, — HENRY GREENE.*Sealer of Weights and Measures*, — W. A. TYLER.*Pound Keeper and Hayward*, — EDW. SMITH.**HEALTH OFFICER.**

A. P. GRINNELL, M. D.

ASSESSORS.

A. W. ALLEN, S. M. POPE, F. J. HENDEE.

TRUSTEE OF U. S. DEPOSIT FUND.

CHARLES F. WARD.

STANDING COMMITTEES

OF THE

BOARD OF ALDERMEN,

For the year ending 1st Monday of April 1874.

On Water Department,

APPLETON, ALLEN, and WING.

On Fire Department,

ALLEN, BLODGETT, and ROWE.

On Street Department,

SHEDD, BLODGETT, and RICKERSON.

On Accounts and Claims,

GRAVEL, LIPPITT, and RICKERSON.

On Pauper Department,

ROWE, ALLEN, and APPLETON.

On Public Buildings,

BLODGETT, HATCH, and LIPPITT.

General Committee,

WING, ROWE, and GRAVEL.

On School Affairs,

LIPPITT, SHEDD, and WING,

On Liquor Agency,

The MAYOR, HATCH, and BLODGETT.

Board of School Commissioners.

President:—HENRY L. DODGE, Superintendent.

Clerk:—H. L. DODGE.

WARD ONE.

MATTHEW H. BUCKHAM, Term expires 1st day of April 1874.

WARD TWO.

HENRY LOOMIS - - - Term expires 1st day of April 1875,

WARD THREE.

CHARLES J. ALGER, - - Term expires 1st day of April 1874.

WARD FOUR.

REV. L. G. WARE, - - Term expires 1st day of April 1875.

WARD FIVE.

LUTHER L. LAWRENCE, - - Term expires 1st day of April 1875.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On School Houses and School Property:

Supt. DODGE, and Commissioners LAWRENCE and ALGER.

On Text Books and Teachers:

Supt. DODGE, and Commissioners BUCKHAM and WARE.

On Finance and Accounts:

Supt. DODGE, and Comm'rs LOOMIS, LAWRENCE, and ALGER.

On Rules and Regulations:

Supt. DODGE, and Commissioners BUCKHAM and WARE.

WARD ORGANIZATIONS.

WARD ONE. Clerk, CHAS. E. ALLEN.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTION.

JO D. HATCH, GEO. A. RUMSEY, R. D. WHEELER.

WARD TWO. Clerk, W. S. VINCENT.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTION.

C. P. CURRIER, WILL S. FARMER, LOUIS GERMAIN.

WARD THREE. Clerk, OSCAR F. BOSTWICK.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTION.

JAMES MADIGAN, T. V. COSGRIFF, OLIVER VERRAN.

WARD FOUR. Clerk, IRA E. SHATTUCK.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTION.

LOUIS H. TURK, IRA RUSSELL, W. J. CAMPBELL.

WARD FIVE. Clerk, F. H. WILKINS.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTION.

* HENRY ROLFE, WM. DENNING, M. A. EVARTS.

Election for City Officers, 1st Tuesday in March, annually.

* Left the City.

CITY ORDINANCES.--1873.

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE WATER DEPARTMENT.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SECTION 4 of an Ordinance in relation to the Water Department, approved Dec. 4, 1861, and amended January 30th, 1873, is hereby further amended by striking out "Superintendent of Water Works" in 4th and 5th lines of said Section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "City Treasurer." Also, striking out all after the word "Committee" in the 9th line of said Section, down to and including the word "respectively," in the 16th line thereof, and also striking out the word "twentieth" in the 17th line of said Section, and inserting the word "tenth" in lieu thereof. So that all delinquent rate payers shall be cut off from a supply of water from the Water Works, at the expiration of ten days from and including the first days of June and December of each year respectively or from the date of notification to pay.

Approved May 6, 1873.

L. C. DODGE, MAYOR.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO STREET GRADES AND THE RECORD OF STREET SURVEYS.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SEC. 1. The Books wherein are recorded the Surveys of the Streets within the limits of the City of Burlington, and the Books

containing the Maps, or Profiles of Street grades, are hereby adopted and accepted as the public books of record for that purpose.

SEC. 2. The grade of such Street, or Streets, in this City as may have been, or shall hereafter be, established by Resolution adopted by the City Council, shall not be altered in any manner, until after public notice of such intended alteration shall have been given in the newspapers of the City, at least three weeks previous to any action had thereon.

Approved June 3d, 1873.

L. C. DODGE, MAYOR.

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF AN ORDINANCE, ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE REMOVAL FROM THE STREETS AND SIDEWALKS OF THE CITY, OF THISTLES, WEEDS, &c. APPROVED FEBRUARY 3d, 1873.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows ;

Section one of an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the removal from the Streets and Sidewalks of the City, of Thistles, Weeds, &c.," is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Annually, between the 15th and 30th days of June, and the 1st and 15th days of September, it shall be the duty of all owners, or occupants of any land adjoining any street or highway of the City, to cut down and remove from so much of the street and sidewalks opposite such land, and between the line of the street and the centre thereof, all thistles, weeds or other noxious vegetable growth, which may be a nuisance, or injury, to the community.

Approved June 23d, 1873.

L. C. DODGE, MAYOR.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO SIDEWALKS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Whenever the City Council shall order any street, or portion thereof, to be curbed and guttered, the Street Superintendent shall execute said order under the general direction of the Street Commissioners.

SEC. 2. The curb stone shall be not less than two feet long, eighteen inches wide and three inches thick, but may be of larger dimensions whenever it may be so ordered by the Street Commissioners.

The curb stone shall be set on such grade as shall be adopted by the City Council.

SEC. 3. Whenever any street, or portion thereof, shall have been curbed and guttered, the sidewalks on such streets, or portions thereof shall thereafter be constructed and maintained at the charge of the property fronting thereon.

SEC. 4. Said sidewalks shall be ten feet wide and shall be constructed of stone flagging provided that the width may be altered and other materials used wherever specially so ordered by the Street Commissioners.

SEC. 5. Whenever any street, or portion thereof, shall have been curbed and guttered as above, the Street Commissioners shall notify each owner of land fronting thereon, in writing, to construct a sidewalk in front of his said premises, and shall specify in said notice fully and in detail the exact dimensions and characters of such sidewalk, and shall furnish the Superintendent of Streets with a copy of such order, and the person so notified shall thereupon proceed to construct a sidewalk in front of his premises agreeably to said order.

SEC. 6. Whenever any sidewalk shall require repairs or renewal, the Street Commissioner shall notify in writing, each owner of land fronting thereon, to repair and renew the sidewalk in front of his said premises, and shall specify in said notice fully and in

detail the character of the work to be done, and furnish the Superintendent of Streets with a copy of such order, and the person so notified shall thereupon proceed to repair and renew the sidewalk in front of his premises agreeably to said order.

SEC. 7. If any person shall neglect or refuse to obey the order of the Street Commissioners, requiring him to construct, repair or renew the sidewalk in front of his premises as provided in the ordinance, for the space of thirty days after he is duly notified thereof as aforesaid, he shall be punished by a fine of one dollar for each and every day he shall thereafterwards neglect or refuse to obey such order.

SEC. 8. If any person shall neglect or refuse to obey the order of the Street Commissioners, requiring him to construct, repair or renew the sidewalk in front of his premises for the space of forty days after due notice thereof as aforesaid, the Street Commissioners may in their discretion construct, repair or renew the same at the expense and cost of such person—but such person shall not be liable to the penalty provided in section 7 of this ordinance, after the Street Commissioners shall commence the construction, repair or renewal of the sidewalk in front of his premises.

Approved July 14, 1873.

L. C. DODGE, MAYOR.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO MARKETS AND MARKETING.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. An Ordinance entitled “ An Ordinance in relation to Markets and Marketing,” approved Dec. 14, 1869, and amended and approved as amended May 23d, 1870, is hereby repealed.

Passed over the Veto of the Mayor, }
Oct. 13th, 1873. }

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO POLICE OFFICERS AND
THEIR DUTY.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SEC. 1. Every City Police Officer shall, before receiving final process from any Court of this City, give bonds to the City, in a sum of not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than five hundred dollars, to the satisfaction of the Board of Aldermen, for the faithful discharge of his duties.

SEC. 2. The City Clerk shall from time to time, as such bonds are filed with him, give notice to the City Court and the Trial Justices of this City, of such Police Officers as have filed such bonds.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of every Police Officer of this City, to whom final process shall have been issued, on the first Monday of each month, to pay over to the City Treasurer all monies collected on mittimuses issued to him.

SEC. 4. Every Police Officer shall, commencing with the first Monday in January, A. D. 1874, through the Chief of Police, make report to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, of all mittimuses received by him in favor of this City, with his doings upon each, whether returned to the Court issuing the same, or outstanding : And if outstanding, the circumstances and situation of each such case.

Approved Oct. 21, 1873.

L. C. DODGE, MAYOR.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO DEBTS AND CLAIMS INCURRED AGAINST THE CITY, BY UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SEC. 1. No contract shall be made whereby the City of Burlington shall be holden or bound for the payment of any sum of

money, nor shall any debt be incurred against the City of Burlington by any person or persons acting, or pretending to act for said city, in any capacity whatever, which shall be valid or binding against said City, except the same shall have been previously authorized by the City Council.

SEC. 2. No City Officer shall have any authority or power to bind the City for the payment of any sum of money for any purpose, or to make any contract whereby the City may become bound for the payment of any sum of money, except said officer shall have been previously authorized to such action by the City Council. *Provided*, however, that nothing in this ordinance shall prevent the expenditure of monies in the administration of their respective departments, by any of said officers, in the ordinary manner, which have previously been appropriated to such use by the City Council.

SEC. 3. An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Contracts by certain City officers," approved March 16, 1868, is hereby repealed.

Approved Dec., 9 1873.

L. C. DODGE, MAYOR.

MAYOR'S ADDRESS.

Delivered April 3d, 1873.

To the Hon. Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN:—Having been selected to conduct the municipal affairs of the City for the ensuing year, and having taken the usual oath of office prescribed by law, we are, I trust, prepared to enter upon our several duties with a full determination to meet any and all questions pertaining to the welfare of our City, with such a degree of candor and fairness as will meet the hearty approval of all good citizens. We are here for no individual or selfish purpose and for no political strife, but to answer a call from the people of our City, who demand at our hand an honest administration of public affairs. We have nothing to fear if we go forward to the performance of the duties assigned us, regardless of everything but the public good.

In the present condition of our City there are many matters that will demand our careful attention, which I shall endeavor to lay before you from time to time.

THE CITY FINANCES.

Our financial condition is not unfavorable when compared with that of many other New England Cities; although without such comparison we might be inclined to think dif-

ferently. Doubtless it is well that we should not be so satisfied with our condition as to omit to guard against any *unnecessary* increase of our liabilities.

Our Bonded Water Debt stands as follows :

First issue of \$15,0000, authorized March 19th, 1866, 20 years, unpaid,	\$148,400.
Second issue of \$25,000, authorized July 12th, 1869, 20 years, unpaid,	\$16,500.
Third issue of \$25,000, authorized Dec. 7, 1870, 20 years, unpaid,	\$25,000.
Fourth issue of \$25,000, authorized June 5, 1871, 20 years unpaid,	\$25,000.
Total bonded debt outstanding,	<hr/> \$214,900.
There is still due on the High school building loan of last year	\$9,200.
A temporary loan was authorized in Dec. last to meet the semi-annual interest due on the bonded debt of	\$6,500.
Total floating debt at this time,	<hr/> \$15,700.

SINKING FUND.

The resolution adopted in City meeting, March 19, 1866, authorizing the first issue of bonds to the amount of \$150,000 for the construction of the City Water Works also provided for a sinking fund for the payment of the bonded debt as it becomes due. This fund has not, until the past year, received its just dues, owing perhaps to a want of appreciation or knowledge of its real importance. The sinking fund now stands credited with such sums as should have been passed to its credit from time to time since it was established, and amounts, as shown on the books of the Treasurer, to \$14,856,82. This amount includes the purchase of \$10,100, of

water bonds of the two first issues, which have been cancelled and burned. The cancelling of these bonds to guard against theft or accident, was doubtless a wise act; but after cancelling they should have remained in the Treasury as the property of the sinking fund, and the interest (represented by the coupons thereon) should have been and continue to be scrupulously paid into that fund from year to year until the coupons were exhausted: and such other items of interest and such additions as are made by annual appropriations should be carefully invested and the fund kept increasing, or we fail to carry out the intent of the law creating it.

The resolution creating the sinking fund instructs the City Treasurer to invest the same either in United States, State or City Bonds. The time of profitable investment in the former is probably past, and I am not aware that there are any State bonds "in the market." The Treasurer is therefore compelled to take our own bonds when he can find them. This is well enough if they are to be had at reasonable rates—if not, he should be allowed to seek other investments, and I hope the legal voters will think best to authorize him, with the approval of the City Council, to loan from the fund on bond and mortgage.

STREET REPAIRS.

I said on a former occasion about all I have to say in relation to the work upon our streets. The economy of the present mode of repairing the thoroughfares most used, by frequent applications of common earth or sand, seems to me very questionable. One inevitable result is abundance of dust in dry weather and of mud in wet seasons. The rains of the past season swept away such repairs about as fast as made. I am, if possible, more convinced than ever, that we must adopt some other method, either by the use of

small stone and gravel from the Lake shore, or by the use of stone broken to suitable size by machinery. The latter plan, known as Macadamizing, is adopted by many cities of New England, and is giving entire satisfaction. The cost of this method, however, will necessarily make it a slow one. Certain streets that are most in use, as College street from the Lake to the Square, and thence to the hotels on Main street, Main from Water street to Church, the unpaved portion of Church street from Bank to Pearl and Pearl to Winoski Falls, as also the streets leading to the Lumber yards, should be the first to be reconstructed. I hope this matter will receive such attention at your hands as its importance merits.

OPENING STREETS.

The locating and opening of new streets is another matter that should engage your early attention. Union street, by the recent decision of the referee, must be opened soon. Willard street should be extended north from Pearl without delay, if we would avoid further increase of "land damages" from the erection of new buildings in the line of the extension. In the southern portion of the City the opening or at least locating of several streets is needed during the coming season.

SEWERS AND CULVERTS.

The question of sewers like that of the repairs of the streets, is an old one and in fact worn nearly thread-bare. I still have a lingering hope that the citizens will think best to create by bonding, as they did for the Water Works, a fund for street and sewer improvements (when they can feel sure of its economical disbursement) that will enable us to go forward with the work in a business-like manner. Water, Champlain, College below Pine, Locust, Maiden Lane and

several other streets are much in need of sewerage. The streets once sewered, the gutters paved and wells or openings made to conduct the water from the gutters to the sewers, the durability of the streets will be greatly increased by thus preventing the earth from washing and streets generally from gullyng.

The culvert from Main to College streets should be constructed while we have on the ground a derrick and other implements necessary for the work.

THE WATER WORKS.

When I look over the immense lumber interest of our city, including the different manufacturing establishments extending over a mile along the lake shore, and consider how very inflammable all this material is at certain seasons of the year, and reflect that our city water works are located in the very heart of this district, I cannot but feel that a special Providence has watched over and saved us for nearly seven years from the destruction of the works by fire. The pumps once came near being burned which fact should have been a sufficient warning to us to secure thoroughly fire-proof buildings without delay. Yet nearly two years have since elapsed and nothing has been done to that end. We are thus liable at any hour of the day or night to have our supply of water cut off for lack of sufficient protection from fire in the construction of the buildings containing the engines, pumps and boilers.

The supply of water in the reservoir is not sufficient to warrant us in taking any such risk—indeed nothing can justify it. I therefore hope you will give this matter immediate and careful attention.

We have earnest calls for the extension of the water mains both north and south, calls that should be responded

to as early as possible. There is no doubt of our ability to supply the entire city with water, except perhaps the extreme northern portion towards the mouth of the river, at much less current cost proportionately than we are now subject to. I doubt very much the economy of the present arrangement for pumping, under which the city is supplied with water, and suggest that the matter be carefully looked into, as the existing pumping contract closes with this year, when a new contract or other arrangements must be made. Another appropriation is much needed to complete what seems absolutely necessary to be done in the way of extension of the mains and supply of water. I am confident that with an additional appropriation of \$35,000 the remainder of the city can be supplied, and a reduction of current expenses effected, amounting to nearly twice the amount of the interest on the necessary increase of the water debt. Will the people vote it, or must we stop where we are, and continue to submit to an unnecessary and heavy expense in securing our supply of water?

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Two school lots have recently been purchased, one on North Street and one on Union Street, on which the school commissioners have decided to build immediately. The new buildings are absolutely necessary in order to accommodate the scholars in those neighborhoods; and the funds for constructing them must be provided.

CITY MARKET.

The City Market building has been leased for a term of years to be used for market purposes. It will doubtless be

much more attractive and better filled in the future than it has been in the past, and our citizens who have felt an interest in securing the public convenience of a Central Market, will probably have no cause to regret the temporary change in proprietorship.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In closing, I wish to call your attention to the matter, "last not least"—of a Public Library. In this respect we are behind some of our smaller neighbors and probably behind most other Cities of our size in the Union, and far behind the point I hope we shall have attained before this year closes.

A general law of the state approved Nov. 22 1867, authorizes Cities and Towns to establish and maintain Public Libraries.

Our Charter provides a way for us to take advantage of this law. For years we have "plead poverty" as we may for years to come if we do not make a move towards supplying this want. The want of a Free Public Library in a City of 16,000 inhabitants must be considered evidence of poverty in more than one sense of the word. Yet we are rich in lumber, rich in fine residences, rich in fine churches, rich in our college and schools, rich in our scenery, rich in our beautiful situation, rich in wealthy men, and rich in many things that the rich only can afford to enjoy.

Must our riches end here? Shall we not do our part towards adding this most important means of increasing amongst us the wealth of Intelligence and of good morals, which are worth more than material riches to any community? Shall we not offer to our young men an employment for their

leisure hours, which will draw them from the demoralising haunts that flourish most in the absence of libraries and reading-rooms and other similar means of mental and moral improvements? Can we *afford* longer to delay to supply this urgent want?

L. C. DODGE, MAYOR.

Burlington April 7, 1873.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Public Schools.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :—In compliance with the provisions of the City Charter, I respectfully submit the following report of the School Department.

FINANCES.

The total amount received to the credit of the School Fund during the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1873, has been as follows :

From taxes at 50 per cent on the Grand List,	\$22,248 35
“ Interest on U. S. Bonds and Rents,	105 03
“ Tuition from non-residents,	47 00
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	\$22,400 38

Owing to a change in the fiscal year made by the new Charter, the year begins Jan. 1, instead of Feb. 1, consequently no interest has been received this year on the U. S. Deposit Fund. That item amounting to about \$1760, being paid in January, will appear in next year's report and enters into the estimate of income for the coming year. A small deficiency at the end of the last fiscal year was made up by the City, so that the Department commenced the year free from liabilities or cash assets and has expended for all purposes except the erection of new houses, the following sums.

Paid interest to Burlington Savings Bank on temporary loan of \$11,000, pending collection of taxes,		\$299 33
Taxes refunded on Mayor's warrants,		28 91
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For Teacher's salaries,	\$13,552 81	\$328 24
“ Music Teacher's salaries,	600 00	
“ Superintendent's “	1,000 00	
“ Janitors and Cleaning,	763 09	
“ Repairs,	881 35	
“ Fuel,	827 65	
“ Apparatus,	215 25	
“ Books for Destitute,	11 52	
“ Incidentals,	601 85	
“ Supplies,	302 01	
“ Insurance,	160 66	
“ Furniture,	528 37	
“ Water rents,	98 61	
“ Evening Schools,	100 00	19,643 17
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		\$19,971 41

Of the above sum of \$19,643 17 expended for the Schools, fully \$1000 were paid for permanent improvements, such as grading and turfing school grounds, and building and painting fences and out-houses. thus leaving the actual expenses of the schools about \$18,600 or \$5,175 less than the estimate. It should be mentioned, however, in this connection, that the increase contemplated in the number of teachers to supply the new houses has not been made, which accounts for about \$3000 of the surplus.

The number of teachers will be increased six or seven during the next year and new furniture must be provided for two new houses, which will materially increase our expenditures and render it necessary again to call for a tax of 50 per cent on the Grand List, otherwise 40 per cent would be sufficient.

ESTIMATES FOR 1874.

The Finance Committee have approved the following estimates of receipts and expenditures for the coming year.

RECEIPTS-

Cash on hand as per foregoing statement,	\$2,428 97
For interest on U. S. Deposit Fund—same as last year,	1,760 19
“ “ “ U. S. Bonds and Rents, say	175 00
“ taxes at 50 per cent on Grand List,	22,500 00
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	\$26,864 16

DISBURSEMENTS.

For Salaries of Teachers,	\$16,500
“ “ “ Music Teachers,	600
“ “ “ Superintendent,	1,000
“ Janitors and Cleaning,	950
“ Repairs,	900
“ Fuel,	1,000
“ Apparatus,	200
“ Books for Destitute,	100
“ Incidentals,	600
“ Supplies,	750
“ Insurance,	275
“ Furniture,	500
“ “ Stoves, desks, &c., for new houses,	3,500
“ Taking census,	150
“ Water rents,	150
“ Evening Schools,	200
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	\$27,375

NEW HOUSES.

By vote of the tax payers of Burlington at a public meeting called for that purpose in May last, provision was made for the erection of two new brick school houses, one on Union Street near Howard street and the other on North street near Maiden Lane, at an estimated cost of about ten thousand dollars each. Plans for the same had previously been submitted by Dr. French the former Superintendent, which with slight variations were adopted by the Board and the Committee on School Houses and school property were by vote of the Board, May 27th, charged with the construc-

tion of the same. Considerable delay was occasioned in maturing the plans and procuring materials required, so much so that the buildings could not be completed before winter. The Union Street building is completed externally and the amount expended thereon \$9,745 95.

The North Street building has the foundation completed to and including the timbers and lining for the first floor, and most of the brick and lumber are on the ground, ready for work in the early spring.

The amount already expended on this building is \$2,938 91.

It is not expected that the schools will be re-organized, or the buildings ready for use, until the beginning of the next school year in September next.

The condition of the fund provided for the new buildings above referred to, is as follows :

Received from U. S. Deposit fund,		\$14,234 22
" " Wm. Fitzgerald in part payment of		
school lot,		454 65
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		\$14,688 87
Paid on account Union street building:	9,745 95	
" " North street "	2,938 91	12,686 86
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Balance cash on hand,		\$2,004 01
Wm. Fitzgerald's notes not due,		1,350 00
School property, for sale—not wanted for school pur-		
poses—cash value,		9,250 00
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		\$12,604 01

The estimated cost of completing the new buildings is as follows :

Union Street building,	\$2,900 00
North " "	7,600 00
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	\$10,500 00
Available assets in cash and notes secured by	
mortgage as above,	3,350 00
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Balance required.	\$7,150 00

It will be seen from the foregoing statement that something over \$7,000 must be raised temporarily, pending the sale of abandoned school property, to complete the buildings.

It will be observed that no portion of the purchase money paid for the lots upon which the new buildings are being erected enters into the foregoing account. The reasons must be obvious to all. The lots were purchased by vote of the City Council and paid for out of the City Treasury as all other lots for School purposes have been, and as the City Charter provides—see City Charter sec. 27. The tax of 50 per cent on the grand list, forms no part of a fund ever contemplated for the purchase of school lots, but is intended for the current expenses of the schools. And the loan of the U. S. Deposit fund, authorized by vote of the people in May last, was *expressly* designed for the erection of buildings and not for the purchase of lands.

OLD HOUSES.

There are now in use by the Department for school purposes eight buildings, in which are taught twelve schools. The buildings are in comfortable condition with very few exceptions, all heated with coal stoves except the High School building which is heated by steam, and nearly all are supplied with water from the City Water works.

The annual expense of water is about \$150 and the consumption of coal about 125 tons.

TEACHERS.

Forty three teachers have been employed during the year, the largest number at any one time being twenty seven.

Very few changes have been made in the corps of teachers during the year, none beyond the supplying of places of a few who have resigned and others who have been absent from temporary illness.

The resignation of Miss Williams was a serious disappointment to the Board, but her place has been very well supplied by Miss Thomas, formerly assistant in the same school. Among the teachers are many of great experience and marked success, and the Board feel confident that all are faithful and earnest in their work and will compare favorably with any in New England.

LIST OF TEACHERS THE PAST YEAR.

HIGH SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Charles S. Halsey, A. M.

Assistants—Sara M. Schoonmaker,
M. Louise Olmsted,
Byron O. White, temporary supply.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Mrs. Jennie M. Wyatt,

Assistants—Emma F. Hood, winter and spring terms,
Mary E. Wells,
Helen C. Converse,
Louise A. Dennison, fall term.

PINE STREET INTERMEDIATE.

PRINCIPAL—Martha A. Keeler,

Assistants—Nettie M. White, winter and spring terms,
Libbie M. Frink, fall term,
Sarah A. Pope,
Alice V. Walker.

NORTH STREET INTERMEDIATE.

TEACHER—Mary E. Collins.

MAIN STREET INTERMEDIATE.

PRINCIPAL—Lora M. Holt, winter term,
Ruth A. Hodgkins, spring and fall terms.

Assistant—Belle Crooker, spring term.

PINE STREET PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Florinda E. Williams, winter and spring terms,
Stella L. Thomas, fall term,

Assistants—Stella L. Thomas, winter and spring terms,
 Eva E. Sallies,
 Mrs. Emily Thompson, winter term,
 Reeby F. Tucker, spring term,
 Florence Piper, fall term,
 Alice S. Washburn, fall term.

NORTH STREET PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Edna J. Adsit,

Assistants—Lizzie E. Vickery, winter and spring terms
 Carrie L. Kimball, fall term.

MAIN STREET PRIMARY.

TEACHERS—Elizabeth S. Platt, winter and spring terms,
 Louise J. McDermott, temporary supply,
 Nettie B. George, fall term.

NORTH AVENUE.

TEACHERS—Libbie M. Frink, winter and spring terms,
 Florence J. Beecher, fall term.

COLCHESTER AVENUE.

TEACHERS—Ruth A. Hodgkins, winter term,
 Mrs. Emily Thompson, spring term,
 Amelia Brown, fall term,

Assistant—M. H. Witherby, fall term.

FALLS SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Sara A. Enright.

Assistants—Hattie S. Putnam, winter and spring terms,
 Mrs. Ellen J. Scott, temporary supply,
 Mary O. Woods, fall term.

SHELBURN STREET,

TEACHERS—Emilie M. Gleason, winter term,
 Carrie E. Tracy, Spring term,
 Maria A. McWeeney, fall term.

UNGRADED DAY SCHOOL.

TEACHER—Nellie J. Peters.

UNGRADED EVENING SCHOOL.

TEACHERS—Sara A. Enright,
Nellie J. Peters.

Teacher of music in all the schools,
Mrs. H. E. Armstrong.

CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

The following table shows the attendance at the different schools during the year, and such other statistics as are deemed of interest.

The greatest number enrolled any one term was 894, the average number during the year was 861 and the average number attending school during the year 698, or 81 per cent of the number enrolled. The number of cases of tardiness during the year was 1,955, and of dismissals 424.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR 1873.

SCHOOLS.	WINTER TERM.			SPRING TERM			FALL TERM.		
	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.
High School,	57	52	90	61	58	95	93	68	73
Grammar School,	117	104	90	111	103	93	108	98	91
INTERMEDIATE.									
Pine Street,	126	97	77	116	99	85	143	110	77
North Street,	46	34	74	42	36	86	39	30	77
Main Street,	56	44	79	47	41	87	41	35	85
PRIMARY.									
Pine Street,	144	105	73	150	135	90	148	108	73
North Street,	75	52	70	94	70	75	78	57	73
Main Street,	34	28	82	39	33	85	40	36	90
TWO GRADE SCHOOL.									
North Avenue,	13	12	92	16	14	88	16	14	88
Colchester Avenue,	45	38	84	46	34	74	50	43	86
Falls Schools,	52	44	85	62	52	84	73	55	75
Shelburn Street,	50	38	76	38	33	87	37	24	65
UNGRADED SCHOOLS.									
Day School,	45	33	73						
Evening School,	34	23	82						
	894	709	80	822	708	86	866	678	80
	Number of Tardinesses			Number of Tardinesses,			Number of Tardinesses,		
	767			467			721		
	Number of Dismissals			Number of Dismissals,			Number of Dismissals,		
	131			161			132		

In comparing the record of attendance the past year with that of previous years, it is gratifying to note the great decrease in the number of tardinesses, also a gradual increase in the per cent of attendance each year; showing a commendable degree of watchfulness on the part of parents and teachers to ensure punctuality.

The following figures show the comparison during the past three years:

	Tardinesses.	Dismissals.	Average Attendance to No. Enrolled.
1871	6,204	1,108	74
1872	4,940	432	77½
1873	1,955	424	81

During the past year the ratio of attendance has been very much diminished by scarlet fever, which has prevailed to quite an alarming extent. Many have been kept from school by sickness

and more from fear of contracting the disease. There have also been several cases of measles and a few of small pox, but at the present time very few cases of sickness of any kind are known to exist, and none of a serious character.

The following is an abstract of the School census for the year 1873.

WARDS.	No. of Families.	No. of Children under 5 yrs. of age.	No. between 5 and 10 years.	No. between 10 and 15 years.	No. between 15 and 20 years.	Whole No of children under 20 years.	No. of Children of School age.	No. of heads of families.
First.....	184	82	115	112	127	436	354	331
Second.....	420	247	207	179	178	811	564	754
Third.....	598	437	399	311	268	1416	979	1103
Fourth.....	469	248	194	175	176	793	545	812
Fifth.....	505	270	238	224	236	968	698	920
Totals Jan., 1874,	2176	1284	1153	1001	985	4424	3140	3920
“ “ 1873,	2065	1382	1092	1030	992	4496	3114	3818
Increase in “	111		61				26	102
Decrease in “		98		29	7	72		

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

From the foregoing census returns it appears that there are 3140 children in the City of school age, and there are not sittings in the buildings now in use for one third that number.

In view of these facts the necessity of the new buildings now being erected is apparent, particularly when it is observed that in the Second ward where one building is located are 564 children of school age, and no school accommodations in the ward; and in Ward 5 where the other is located are 693 scholars with indifferent accommodations for about 150.

UNOCCUPIED HOUSES.

The Board of Commissioners have caused to be advertised for sale the unoccupied school property on Champlain St., Cherry St. and Maiden Lane, also the lot on Shelburn St.

It is believed that the proceeds of these sales will be sufficient to complete the new houses.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The course of study in the High School embraces English Grammar, Arithmetic, Physiology, History of England, Botany, Philosophy, Chemistry, Geology, Citizen's Manual, Book-keeping, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Rhetoric, Physical Geography, General History, Astronomy and English Literature, also Greek, Latin and French. General exercises embrace drawing, gymnastics and vocal music. The pupils in the C class are instructed in reading and spelling.

Ninety-three pupils attended this school during the last term, fifty-six of whom studied Latin and twenty-five Greek, and about the same number French.

This course is believed to be admirably adapted to fitting pupils for College or for a thorough English education.

The recent influx of pupils has rendered additional accommodations in the school room necessary, also an additional teacher, both of which have been provided; and with these additional facilities it is believed that the success of the school is fully established.

In its Preparatory Department it meets a want long felt in this region, and in other parts of the State, for a first class preparatory school. This Department is in close sympathy with the University, and receives valuable aid and counsel from its officers.

THE TEXT BOOKS USED IN THE HIGH SCHOOL ARE

Greene's English Grammar,	Anderson's History of England,
French's Arithmetic,	" General History,
Greenleaf's Elementary Algebra,	Alden's Citizen's Manual,
Loomis's Geometry,	Bryant & Stratton's Book keeping,
" Trigonometry,	Hart's Rhetoric,
Steele's Physiology,	Shaw's English Literature,
" Philosophy,	Allen & Greenleaf's Latin Grammar,
" Chemistry,	Goodwin's Greek Grammar,
" Geology,	Mitchell's Ancient Geography,
" Astronomy,	Otto's French Grammar.
Gray's Botany,	

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of School commissioners,

H. L. DODGE, Superintendent.

Jan. 1st, 1874.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

In order to understand clearly the operations of the Street Department the past summer, it is necessary to consider the condition of the department at the commencement of the season, and to understand the policy that dictated these operations as well as the means relied upon for executing the work undertaken. Before any work was commenced these matters were fully discussed with the Street Commissioners. From various causes which it is unnecessary to relate, the condition of the streets last Spring was unusually bad. There was scarcely a street in the city that did not require extensive repair. Universal, however, as was this need, it was unanimously agreed that the practice of spreading the expenditure with some degree of evenness over the entire city, however sanctioned by long usage, must be abandoned. If repairs were attempted at *all* points where really needed, the funds at hand would permit but a trifling expenditure at each, and the result would be a cheap and flimsy patchwork that would, with favorable weather, scarcely last through the season, and liable to be utterly swept away by a single shower. In order that with the means at hand *thorough* repairs might be made at some points, others must be neglected. Of course *all* dangerous places must be made safe, and this being done, the principal avenues to and from the city should be put in reasonably good repair. These were the streets most used by the public and as "lines of communication" between our business men and their customers should be maintained in good order. Thus much being done, the remaining means in hand should be applied to grading and paving College street, from the Depot towards St. Paul street. Such in general terms was the work to be done. The means relied upon for executing it were, first, the Highway Tax amounting to \$9,295 87, and second, the appropriation for the improvement

of streets, made at the city meeting, May 19th, amounting to \$15,000.00. At the commencement of the season the Street Department was substantially bankrupt in the matter of tools and outfit for carrying on its work. Two old horses and carts and a broken derrick constituted the chief items of stock and tools on hand. Most of the work of street repairs is of such a nature that it cannot well be done by contract but must be performed by day labor. If the work was not continuous for a considerable period, as it is for the entire season, the custom which has hitherto prevailed of hiring the greater part of the team labor might perhaps be profitably continued, but as there is ample and steady employment for a number of horses, it is far cheaper for the city to own them. This is but following the almost universal practice of the most prudent business men in the management of their private affairs. The dry goods merchant whose freighting is small, hires it done. The flour and feed dealer whose freighting is heavy, keeps his own team. Nor does the thrifty grocer hire carters to deliver his goods. One of the horses on hand, as above mentioned, was so unsound as to be practically worthless, and was sold at auction for \$13 00. Nine horses were purchased, six carts and eight harnesses.

After careful consideration of several plans for permanently improving our streets and constructing substantial roadways, that of using finely broken ledge-stone was adopted for several cogent reasons. It is the cheapest substantial paving that can be constructed in all cases where good stone for the purpose can conveniently be had. It costs but very little to keep it in good repair. If properly cared for it will last for an indefinite period, and be at the end as good as new, while other kinds of paving constantly deteriorate and must at length be entirely reconstructed. The broken stone of which it is made is also the very best material for the repair of ordinary street roadways. In the preparation of the road-metal a considerable amount of very fine stone is produced that is most excellent material for sidewalks. As compared with any other stone pavements it is far the easiest for the horses, the carriages and the passengers. Its construction is very simple, and no skilled labor is required. For these reasons the Commissioners were unanimous in their approval of this kind of paving. Stone well suited to this purpose must be unaffected by exposure to the weather, and be both hard and tough. If the stones are soft, the road soon wears out from the abrasion of the wheels, and if hard and brittle it crumbles under heavy loads.

The red sandrock of which there is an unlimited supply, most conveniently situated, is believed to be admirably adapted to this purpose as it possesses durability, hardness, and toughness to an unusual degree, and has the additional good quality of tending to break into cubical forms when subjected to a crushing force. The most advantageous point for getting the stone seemed to be at Wil-

lard's Ledge, where there was a large accumulation of quarry chips well suited for our use, and so far as they went, the cost of blasting would be saved. Negotiations were accordingly opened with Mr. Willard who, instead of taking advantage of our needs to make a good market for his stone, met us in a most liberal spirit and has entered into a contract with the city by which the latter can, for the next ten years, take all the loose small stone from the entire grounds, and may quarry from the solid ledge, within certain limits, as much as is required, paying five cents per perch for the loose stone, and ten cents per perch for that taken from the solid ledge. As the solid stone nearly doubles in bulk in breaking, the price paid Mr. Willard per perch of road metal is about the same in either case. This covers and includes the rent of ground occupied by buildings and machinery, right of way, &c.

A stone crusher of new and improved pattern was purchased of the Blake Crusher Co., New Haven, Ct. These machines are believed to be the best now in use, either in this country or Europe. The one we have is capable of crushing, under favorable circumstances, six cubic yards of stone per hour into road metal, such as used on College street. Half this amount, or three cubic yards per hour, may safely be assumed as the average ordinary working rate. The cast iron plates between which the stones are broken wear away as does a plow point in a gravelly soil, and like the plow point these plates are easily and quickly replaced with new ones. Aside from this no repairs of any kind have been required, and the machine has worked admirably. A cast iron bolt or screen separates the stones as they come from the crusher into four sizes. Of the coarsest and finest only a comparatively small amount is made. The coarsest is put in the bottom of the road bed, and the finest makes excellent sidewalks.

To drive the crusher a portable engine was purchased of the Ames Iron Works. A strong but rough building was constructed to shelter the engine and crusher. This contains also large bins to receive the stone from the bolt and keep the several sizes separate. In the purchase of the stock, tools and machinery, every effort has been made to secure in all cases the best and most substantial of its kind, paying nothing for ornaments, and yet omitting no quality necessary to its usefulness for the work required. "Second hand," partially worn tools and machinery, old horses, whose term of service has nearly expired, unsound horses, and ponies, can be had for a small price, and when required only for a short time it is sometimes true economy to purchase such. But when, as in the case of the city, the service is to be long continued, it is far better to get everything of the most durable and substantial character. As to horses and carts this is especially true in cases where the haul is long, as it is upon most of the city work. To illustrate: when hauling stone from the ledge to College street the horses and carts purchased this season hauled six loads per day, of twenty-eight to

thirty hundred pounds each. Horses and carts such as the city had on hand, made the same number of trips, and hauled seventeen to eighteen hundred pounds at a load. The cost of driver and keeping was of course the same in each case, showing an advantage of nearly forty per cent in favor of the heavier teams.

The amount of repairs and improvements upon the several streets will be found in the accompanying table.

It is not by any means claimed that the repairs made have been as thorough and substantial as they should be, but there has been earnest endeavor to make some progress in this respect. Where the natural soil was bad, material has, in some cases, been hauled more than a mile, as upon the Williston road, Winooski Avenue, &c. The wettest portions of the Falls hill, Winooski Avenue, Union, Main, St. Paul and College Streets, have been underdrained, and it is believed the quagmires that appeared every spring in those places will give no more serious trouble.

About the middle, of August upon commencing to put additional plank upon the Heineberg bridge, it was found to be in a dangerous condition, and it was necessary for a short time to forbid the passage of loaded teams over it. This was entirely unlooked for, as the bridge was of moderate span, a Howe truss and nearly new. The necessary repairs were made as soon as possible at a cost of \$922 35. The construction of the bridge was faulty in some important details, and to this its failure is mainly attributable. With proper care the bridge may be expected to last for a number of years, but it is by no means as good as it would have been had the original construction been what it should.

In accordance with instructions received from the Street Commissioners, Union Street has been opened from College to Pearl and worked so far as necessary to admit of its use for public travel, at a cost of \$1,267 30.

Howard Street, under similar instructions, has been widened and graded at a cost of \$134 81.

Main and St. Paul streets at their intersection, and for a short distance south and west, have been graded, curbstone set, and gutters paved against the Van Ness House. This isolated piece of work was done on account of a proposition from Mr. D. C. Barber, that if the City would do the work, he would furnish on the ground at his own cost the best kind of curbstone.

The large expenditure upon Winooski Avenue was due to the extremely bad condition of its eastern portion. All the culverts on the street but two, were either broken down or filled up so as to be entirely useless; and of these two, one required repair.

The amount of material obtainable within reasonable limit of haul that is suitable to form the surface of a street roadway, is very small; and where the roadway has been so much worn that more than a few inches of grading was required to restore it to its original, or proper cross-section, inferior material has been used to fill it

nearly to grade, finishing the work with a top dressing of better material. In some cases, as in parts of St. Paul, Maple, Main and Willard streets, the top dressing has not yet been put on, having been prevented by the pressure of the work upon College Street, and the remarkably early setting in of winter. Something is now being done at this, and the work will be continued unless snow prevents.

A short piece of ordinary McAdam road has been constructed on Union street extending south from Main Street two hundred and eleven feet, at a cost of \$1.10 per lineal foot. This roadway is fourteen feet wide and one foot thick.

This spot was selected (one of the worst in the city) in order that the severest possible test might be had of this kind of roadway. Not that McAdam roads are in any broad sense an experiment, as they have been in general use in England for the last fifty years and several hundred miles in our own country have been in constant use for the last thirty years. But this kind of road is doubtless new to many of our citizens, and it must be seen and used, to be fully appreciated.

The principal work of the season has been the improvement of College street, from the Central Vermont Depot to St. Paul street.

After bringing the surface of the street to the grade adopted by the City Council, and the sewer having been put in, it was finished with McAdam paving. The width of roadway as determined by the Street Commissioners is thirty five feet, and the total width of the street being four rods, the sidewalks are about fifteen and one half feet wide. It has been objected to this arrangement, that the sidewalks are uselessly wide, and the roadway too narrow to look well. On the other hand it is claimed that a belt of grass, and if possible a double row of trees between the footpath and the curbstone, presents a far more attractive appearance than a wide roadway.

Without attempting to decide this point, it was deemed advisable to construct the roadway no wider than was necessary to meet all the reasonable demands of the traffic, for the reason that the cost per lineal foot of street paving is in direct proportion to its width, and the wider the roadway the more it costs to keep it in repair.

The width of the roadway in College street and Main street, west of St. Paul street, was fixed at thirty five feet, and the width in Pine, Champlain and Water at thirty feet. Broadway New York, above Chambers street, is eighty feet wide between the houses, and the sidewalks are nineteen feet wide each, thus leaving the roadway forty two feet wide. There can be no reasonable question that a roadway thirty five feet wide will prove ample for the traffic of our busiest streets for many years to come.

The surface of the finished paving in College street in cross-section is the arc of a circle, the center being seven inches higher than the sides. The curbstones are blue limestone, five to seven inches

thick, not less than three feet long and eighteen inches wide. The stone are jointed, and roughly dressed on top, to form with the face an angle of about ninety six degrees. They are set with a batter on the face of one in twelve. Set in this way, the upper and outer edge of the stone is much less liable to injury by blows from wheels of carriages backing against it, than if set perpendicular. A paved gutter of cobble stone two and a half feet wide, is placed next the curbing. The outer edge of the gutter is finished with a course of ledge stone about two inches thick and a foot wide, set edgeways to prevent the outer stone of the gutter from being disturbed by the wheels of vehicles. The surface of the soil between the gutters having been brought to the proper grade, the broken stone is spread over it in even layers three to four inches thick each. Each layer as it is put down, has a cast iron roller weighing about ten thousand pounds passed over it forty to fifty times. The third layer is of stone broken so that the largest will pass through an inch ring, and the rolling is then continued until the surface is firm, hard, and in good condition for use.

The cost of this improvement, including the grading, has been \$6,906.59. It is not quite completed, about fifty dollars will be required to finish the top layer of stone between Pine and St. Paul streets; the total cost will then be \$6,956.59, or about \$4.00 per lineal foot. Some trifling repairs will be required next spring to correct any unequal settling. Thereafter the cost of keeping it in good repair will be very small. Some of the details of the cost may be of interest. The curbing, delivered dressed, cost about fifty six cents per foot, setting ten cents per foot; to load the stone, haul them to crusher and crushing cost sixty two and a third cents per perch. Weighing, one and a third cents per perch. The crushed stone weighs twenty three hundred and eighty five pounds per cubic yard, or fourteen hundred and thirty eight and a half pounds per perch. Most of the stone were hauled from the crusher to the street by weight. The price paid was one and three quarter cents per hundred.

By direction of the Board of Aldermen street signs are being put up at the corners of the streets. It is expected the work will be finished about the first of February.

SEWERS.

Sewers have been constructed in College street from the Lake to St. Paul Street. In Pine street from the end of the sewer previously built at a point a few feet north of College street, north to Bank street. In Tuttle street (now called Prospect street,) from Main street south fifteen hundred and fifty-five feet. These sewers have been placed ten to twelve feet below the grade line of the street, and are much lower than the lowest cellars along the line,

thus affording thorough sewerage from all adjoining properties. Man holes have been constructed in such manner, that the condition of the sewer can at any time be ascertained by easy inspection, and through these the sewers can be readily flushed from the hydrants whenever it is necessary.

Catch water basins, ten feet deep and six feet in diameter, have been constructed at the corners of Lake, Water, Champlain and Pine streets. They are of sufficient capacity to carry off the surface water under ordinary circumstances. During *very* severe storms, until other basins are constructed on the streets to the north these basins will, doubtless at times, prove insufficient, and the surplus water may for a short time flow across College street, and follow the channels it did before this sewer was constructed.

These basins are of the latest and most approved form, and thus far have worked well. We have had many storms since they were finished, but none sufficiently violent to cause them to overflow.

The main sewer in the ravine east of the market, has been completed between Main and College streets, as also that portion covered by the extension of Union street. The stone belonging to the city and lying on the ground, were used as far as they would answer, and the remaining portion of this sewer was built of brick laid in cement. The walls are eight inches thick, and the cross section is about the shape of an egg, having an area of about seven feet. All the other sewers have been of cement pipe of various sizes, from one to two feet.

The construction of the remainder of this main sewer in the ravine from Main street to the lake, is a matter of most urgent necessity. The policy of constructing small sewers tributary to this main sewer, before the latter is built, is most unwise, and is full of danger to the health of the city. Indeed there can be little doubt, that what has already been done, has been productive of much mischief. Before these sewers that have been constructed, were built, the sewage was deposited in cesspools and buried under ground where it was comparatively harmless. As soon as one of these are finished in any street, the sewage is thereafter discharged into it, and passes to the ravine, where it is poured out on the surface of the ground. A small portion of this, by slow and tortuous courses, finally reaches the lake, but a very large portion of it is deposited on the surface of the ground, to infect the atmosphere for wide distances around with its fever breeding poison.

The dullest observer can hardly fail to have noticed the great change that within the past few years has taken place in the character of the little thread of water that flows down the ravine.

Ten years ago it was a comparatively clear and limpid stream, and horses and cattle drank freely from it. Now, for most of the year, it struggles along a black and putrid mass of filth, disgusting to the senses, and spreading on every side its death breeding vapors. The unusual prevalence of scarlet and other fevers this season,

should arouse our citizens to the imperative importance of doing this much needed work.

The city very much needs a good barn for stabling its horses, and close sheds in which to store carts, plows, scrapers, derricks, centers, and such like tools and implements. The location should be central, that the tools may be conveniently at hand when wanted, and that as little time as possible of the teams may be lost in going to and from work. The latter consideration is of far more importance than may appear to some at first sight.

For want of any shelter most of the tools must be left out of doors. The derrick near the market has been left standing, because there is no shed or other building in which to store it, and it will last much longer in its present position than if taken down.

The farmer who does not provide close shelter for his farm implements is justly considered slovenly and unthrifty, and the city can no better afford to neglect the provision of suitable protection of this sort.

As a result of the experience gained under the policy pursued the past season, it may be safely assumed that two thirds of the highway tax is sufficient to maintain the streets in their present condition, and that the remaining one third may be expended each year upon some permanent and lasting improvement. It is true that upon this plan it will take considerable time to reconstruct our principal business streets; but if the policy of expending a portion of the tax each year upon some substantial improvement could be persistently adhered to, wonderful results would be accomplished in a single generation—and a generation is not a long time in the life of a town like ours.

The accompanying tables and statements show in gross, and in detail, the amount of money received and disbursed. The expenditure is also classified so as to exhibit the cost of each important work. Tools and stock stand in the statement at \$4,108.84. This is \$567.81 less, or about thirteen per cent less than their cost, this sum having been charged up to the several works as classified, in order to keep this account good, as well as to show the true cost of the work under the several heads.

The following accounts have been kept through the season that do not appear in the statement, for the reason that they also have been charged up to the several works as classified. Office expenses \$388.42, General Superintendence and expenses \$581.30, Current expenses of City Teams \$1,573.90, Crushing stone, (this account includes cost of loading and hauling stone to crusher, power, &c.,) \$2,346.43. Amount of stone crushed, 3,766 perch.

In addition to the work upon the sidewalks as shown by statement, very many repairs have been made that could not well be separated from repairs of roadway, and are consequently embraced in that account.

It will be noticed that the cost of the extension of Union street has been before stated to be \$1,267.30 while in the accompanying statement the amount expended upon that work is put down at \$735.66. The latter sum represents the amount of money disbursed through this office. The balance is represented by an approved voucher, there being no money in hand applicable to that work.

There has been expended on account of street lamps several small sums that are included in the repairs of the several streets. The aggregate amount is \$24.63.

In concluding this report I wish to express my great indebtedness to Mr. H. G. Willard, who has had immediate charge of the "out of doors" work, for his most zealous, faithful and valuable assistance, and to Mr. C. H. Clark who has kept the accounts in such manner as to win the commendation of the City Auditors. To those who may be pleased with the results of the season's business, I desire to say that to these gentlemen far more than to myself belongs the credit.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. LINSLEY, Superintendent.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW STREETS.

Howard St.	134 81	Union St extension	735 66
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PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS OF STREETS-

College St. from St. Paul St. west.	6,906 59	Union St. (MacAdamizing)	232 13
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REPAIRS OF ROADWAY.

Adams St.	1 97	New Road St.	75 79
Bank St.	9 00	Pearl St.	184 55
Champlain St.	83 94	Prrctor St.	15 00
Colchester Av.	678 80	Pine st.	56 59
East side of Park,	9 49	Spruce St.	62 19
Church St.	72 86	Shelburn St	571 98
College St. East of St. Paul St.	125 12	Spear St.	17 50
Elm St.	18 47	St. Paul St.	363 54
Grant St.	7 16	Tuttle St.	3 25
King St.	10 87	Union St.	346 16
Locust St.	7 16	White St,	10 27
Lake St.	36 07	Water St.	97 34
Maple St.	199 04	Williston Av.	175 19
Maiden Lane,	200	Willard St.	4 25
Main St.	415 48	William St.	7 00
North Av.	238 38	Winooski Av.	1,399 03
		Unclassified Repairs,	1,731 83

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Construction of streets,	870 47
Permanent Improvements of streets and sidewalks,	7,422 82
General repairs of streets and sidewalks,	7,573 14
Tools and stock and crushing machinery and buildings,	8,716 11
Heineberg and Winooski bridges,	932 75
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	33,628 59
Less credits as per weekly statements,	131 15,
Am't. crushed stone on hand as per inventory,	26 08,
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	33,471 36

SIDEWALKS.

Church St.	3 72	College St.	295 15
Main St.	8 09	Union St.	101 98

BRIDGE REPAIRS

Heineberg Bridge,	922 35	Winooski Bridge,	10 40
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Trimming Trees,	120 11	Crushing Machinery and	
Tools and Stock,	4,108 84	Buildings,	4,740 96

SEWERS.

College St.	4,013 20	Union St. Extension,	282 03
Pine St.	398 65	East of City Market,	1,178 66
Tuttle St.	2,240 76		

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND TOOLS BELONGING TO STREET DEPARTMENT.

CRUSHER BUILDINGS AT WILLARD'S LEDGE.

1 Blake's pat. 15 by 9 crusher, 1 No. 6 Ames portable engine, 10 horses, 6 new carts, 2 old carts, 8 harnesses, 5 tool boxes, 1 tool cart, 1 derrick and rigging, 26 round point long handle shovels, 7 square point long handle shovels, 9 short handle shovels, 7 water pails, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ gall. oil cans, 1 two gall. oil can, 3 oilers, 1 straw cutter, 4 nail hammers, 6 tubular lanterns, 4 whiffletrees, 4 seamless bags, 2 scrapers, 3 plugs for sewer connection, 28 picks, 3 stable brooms, 1 curry comb, 1 brush, 1 sponge, 1 post auger, 1 three tined fork, 2 four tined forks, 2 snow shovels, 16 trace chains, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch hose

nozzle, 3 snow plows, 1 large highway plow, 2 new plow shares, 600 feet $\frac{1}{2}$ inch rubber hose, 780 ft. $\frac{1}{4}$ inch grading line, 3 axes, 8 padlocks and keys, 3 large kerosene lamps, 1 reflector, 1 interfering roll, 1 cold chisel, 2 belt punches, 8 hooks and chains for large scraper, 4 monkey wrenches, 8 crowbars, 1 scoop shovel, 1 feed box, 1 box for weighing crushed stone, 1 hand saw, 2 hose spanners, 2 small steel stone hammers, 2 tamping bars, 1 iron toothed rake, 5 spades, 1 pavers maul, 3 set differential pulley blocks and tripods, 3 tin dip-pers, 1 trowel, 2 large steel sledges, $\frac{1}{2}$ bbl. tar, 4 wheel barrows, 1 fifty foot Chesterman metallic tape, 1 fifty foot Holland tape, 1 two foot brass bound rule, 1 stone boat, 1 large road roller, 1 set single blocks fall and tripods, 2 hoes, 1 mallet, 1 chisel, 1 tack hammer, 1 reducer for hose, 26 feet 2 inch gas pipe, 2 pairs shears, 1 carpenters level, 1 pocket level, 1 screw driver, 1 coal screen, 1 boat pump, 1 large road scraper, 1 branding iron, 16 centers for culvert, 3 grates for street basins 570 lbs.

OFFICE FURNITURE, &c.

1 table, 1 office chair, 2 c c chairs, 1 stove and pipe, 2 ink stands, 1 sponge holder, 1 mucilage stand, 2 pocket ink stands, 5 pen holders, 1 dustpan, 1 feather duster, 1 broom, 1 letter folder, 1 eraser, 1 Clegs concave ruler, 1 rubber ruler, 1 drawing pen, 1 slate, 1 wash basin, 1 sprinkler, 2 towels, 1 dust broom, 1 copy book, 1 copying brush, 1 pay roll book, 1 cash book, 1 check book, 60 blank vouchers, $1\frac{1}{2}$ quires legal cap paper, 2 quires fools cap paper, $\frac{1}{4}$ quire bill paper, 50 blanks weekly statement of tools, 12 blanks weekly pay roll, 12 blanks weekly statement expenditure, 200 letter envelopes, 25 large envelopes, 1 paper tacks, 1 stencil brush, 1 cake paste sponge and box, $\frac{1}{3}$ bottle copying ink, $\frac{1}{3}$ bottle carmine ink, 1 waste paper basket.

MATERIALS ON HAND.

38 3-10 perch crushed stone,	\$26 03
5 $\frac{1}{4}$ tons hay at 16,00 pr. ton,	84 00
1375 feet square timber at 16,00 pr. m.	22 00
252 feet plank at 16,00,	4 03
500 feet plank for Winooski bridge at 16,00,	80 00
500 brick at 9,00,	4 50
2730 pieces drain tile 2 inch at 13,00,	35 49
1840 pieces drain tile 3 inch at 17,00,	31 28
Lot of manure,	20 00

\$307 38

STREET DEPARTMENT.

CASH ACCOUNT.

January 1st, 1874.

1873	Amount received as follows :			
May	15	Received G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,		\$400 00
	20	" " "		300 00
	23	" " "		1,200 00
June	6	" Proceeds sale of horse,		13 00
	7	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,		4,000 00
	27	" " "		1,500 00
July	5	" " "		1,500 00
	14	" " "		1,000 00
	23	" " "		1,000 00
	31	" " "		1,000 00
Aug.	5	" " "		1,000 00
	16	G. N. Willard, 16½ perch stone,		12 38
	18	Received G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,		1,500 00
	26	" " "		2,000 00
Sept.	2	" " "		3,000 00
	18	" " "		3,000 00
Oct.	9	" " "		3,000 00
	27	" " "		1,000 00
	30	" " "		1,000 00
Nov.	3	" Sale drain tile,		5 50
	5	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,		1,000 00
	11	" " "		2,000 00
	17	" " "		2,000 00
Dec.	17	" G. N. Willard, drain tile,		49
	20	" G. L. Linsley, "		07

Dec. 26	Received J. B. Paige, drain tile,	1 87
31	" Union st. school house, drain tile,	3 64
	" E. Lyman, as per bill rend.	27 50
	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1,000 00
	" M. Davis, as per bill,	112 84
	" L. B. Englesby "	36 03
	" H. H. Talcott, "	12 81
	" Walker Bros., "	11 45
	" A. B. Simonds "	1 25
	" T. A. Wheelock "	1 75
	" Wm. Zottman, "	1 25
	" Jas. Mitchell, "	1 25
	" T. Johonnott, "	1 75
	" H. A. Mooney, "	1 25
	" N. Bacon, "	2 00
	" M. A. Evarts, "	1 88
	" H. L. Dodge, "	10 79
	" Wells, Richardson & Co., as per bill,	11 98
	" W. L. Strong, as per bill,	5 33
	" Geo. Francis, "	1 25
	" B. S. Nichols, "	9 49
	" Mrs. L. Blodgett, "	5 54

\$33,694 34

Amount due laborers, unclaimed,

1 75

\$33,696 09

Voucher No. 1,	G. N. Willard, bill 1 horse,	\$130 00
do	2, D. Lavee, bill 1 horse,	200 00
do	3, laborers pay roll week ending May 10, '73,	79 50
do	4, laborers pay roll week ending May 17, '73,	69 00
do	5, Winooski lumber Co. bill timber,	10 17
do	6, G. N. Willard, bill sundries,	14 35
do	7, Vt. Central R. R., bill freight, carts, &c.	29 90
do	8, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	26 82
do	9 A. G. Peirce, bill oil,	63
do	10, Geo. H. Bostwick, bill shoeing horse,	1 00
do	11, Western Union Tel. Co. bill telegrams,	2 31

Voucher No.12,	laborers pay roll week ending May 24th,	95 25
do	13, A. G. Peirce, bill stable brooms,	1 50
do	14, D. C. Linsley, bill paid fare and expenses looking up stone crushing machine,	86 50
do	15, W. H. Pollard, bill 1 horse.	150 00
do	16, Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., bill cement,	5 00
do	17, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	8 50
do	18, G. S. Blodgett & Co. bill hose, lanterns, &c.	60 15
do	19, Peck Bros, bill cotton cloth,	1 25
do	20, A. G. Peirce, bill sundries,	1 50
do	21, G. N. Willard, bill shoeing horses,	4 00
do	22, H. S. Lane, bill halter, &c.	1 60
do	23, H. Roby & Bros, bill tool box, &c.	16 67
do	24, C. H. Clark, bill paid sundries,	13 85
do	25, labor pay roll week ending May 31, '73,	146 03
do	26, S. Huntington, bill stationery, &c.	22 15
do	27, A. G. Strong, bill tools,	81 11
do	28, Ripley Sons, bill cement pipe,	47 96
do	29, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	17 00
do	30, U. Blair, bill cartage,	1 50
do	31, Geo. H. Bostwick, bill repairs,	1 00
do	32, Burlington P. O., bill box rent,	75
do	33, W. H. Pollard, bill 1 horse,	100 00
do	34, Poore Bros. bill selling horse,	1 30
do	35, A. G. Peirce, bill 1 hay cutter, &c.	24 55
do	36, W. H. & F. H. Wilkins, bill drain tile,	26 00
do	37, Peck Bros. bill cotton cloth,	2 50
do	38, L. S. Drew, bill hay and straw,	51 74
do	39, laborers pay roll week ending June 7th,	189 62
do	40, G. N. Willard, bill repair tools, &c.	9 68
do	41, Peck Bros., - bill cotton cloth,	2 50
do	42, P. H. Catlin, " drilling stone,	4 00
do	43, A. G. Peirce, " sundries,	1 05
do	44, G. S. Blodgett & Co., bill rubber hose &c.,	55 45
do	45, C. W. Lippitt, " feed,	25 00
do	46, M. Thompson, " printing,	2 25
do	47, Blake Crusher Co., " 1 Blake's Pat. Crusher, castings, labor, &c.,	1,589 45

Voucher No. 48,	Shepard, Davis & Co., bill lumber,	25 87
do	49, Laborer's pay roll, week ending June 14th,	237 23
do	50, Peck Bros, bill cotton cloth,	2 50
do	51, M. Thompson, " printing,	5 00
do	52, Ira E. Shattuck, " 1 Chesterman tape,	3 40
do	53, Laborers pay roll week ending June 21,	277 24
do	54, L. B. Howe, bill 1 horse,	250 00
do	55, Jas. N. Gate, "	185 00
do	56, Henry Lees, "	125 00
do	57, E. D. Fuller, "	225 00
do	58, G. S. Blodgett & Co., bill oil cans &c.,	1 75
do	59, Albert G. Peirce, bill wheel barrows,	6 15
do	60, Geo. I. Hagar, bill oil and cask,	7 17
do	61, Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., bill 6 in. spike	5 22
do	62, W.H. & F.H. Wilkins, bill freight, engine &c	55 00
do	63, Peck Bros., bill cotton cloth.	2 50
do	64, Free Press Association bill advertisement	6 00
do	65, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed ,	25 50
do	66, Edwards, Stevens & Co. bill road scraper,	45 32
do	67, Winooski Lumber Co. bill timber,	264 82
do	68, Hampson, Whitehill & Co., bill 1 No 6 Ames' Portable engine,	1,395 00
do	69, Laborers' pay roll week ending June 28,	350 12
do	70, Thos. Rutter bill stone,	25 00
do	71, E. J. Fay bill timber,	5 00
do	72, E. D. Fuller, bill 1 horse,	225 00
do	73, Laborers' pay roll week ending July 5,	302 37
do	74, Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	57 65
do	75, Peck Bros. bill cotton cloth,	3 75
do	76, Van Sickler, Walker & Co. bill derrick rigging,	38 13
do	77, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	51 00
do	78, R. S. Styles, bill printing,	9 35
do	79, H. Arnold, bill 1 horse collar,	5 50
do	80, W. H. Pollard, bill tending horse, &c.,	2 00
do	81, Chas. B. Gray, bill repair roller,	41 00
do	82, W. H. & F. H. Wilkins, bill drain tile,	30 46
do	83, Winooski Lumber Co., bill timber,	123 72

Voucher No. 84,	Wm. Page & Co., bill carts and harnesses,	782 80
do	85, I. W. Brown, bill drain tile,	147 60
do	86, N. B. Proctor, bill repair road,	15 00
do	87, labor pay roll, week ending July 12th,	404 37
do	88, C. R. Nash, bill hay,	46 42
do	89, Elmore Johnson, bill constructing crusher buildings, &c .	461 87
do	90, G. N. Willard, bill blacksmith work,	30 19
do	91, Ripley Sons, bill cement pipe,	53 60
do	92, A. G. Story, bill tools &c.,	69 30
do	93, laborers pay roll, week ending July 19th,	376 62
do	94, Vt. C. & Central Vt. R. R., bill telegraph on crusher, sewer castings, &c.,	152 84
do	95, Shepard Davis & Co., bill lumber,	42 99
do	96, laborers pay roll, Wednesday July 26th,	418 97
do	97, R. E. Lee, bill removing earth Winooski Avenue,	202 80
do	98, Saxton & Howell, bill sewer castings,	73 17
do	99, New York Plow Co., bill large plow and share,	29 00
do	100, E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	40 50
do	101, H. Roby & Bros. bill tool and feed boxes,	54 09
do	102, Duffy Lavee, bill blasting,	4 00
do	103, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	51 00
do	104, D. C. Lindsley, bill paid fare and expenses to Brooklyn to purchase castings for sewers and street basins,	41 75
do	105, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	25 50
do	106, E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	20 25
do	107, Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	584 90
do	108, H. Salls, bill laying curb stone,	28 88
do	109, H. A. Ray, bill tool cart,	50 00
do	110, G. S. Blodgett & Co., bill galv. pipe, &c.,	129 40
do	111, labor pay roll, week ending Aug. 2d,	446 19
do	112, F. Brunnell, bill cartage,	3 00
do	113, Western Union Tel. Co., bill telegrams,	1 73

Voucher No. 114, U. Blair, bill cartage,	1 00
do 115, H. G. Willard, bill paid hammer handles	1 00
do 116, Allen, Bigwood & Co. bill tin pail,	35
do 117, Thos. O'Brien, bill repairs,	75
do 118, Western Union Tel. Co, bill telegrams,	1 31
do 119, James Lawrence, bill cartage,	1 00
do 120, A. G. Peirce, bill 1 plow point,	1 00
do 121, C. H. Clark, bill paid cartage &c.	5 46
do 122, Laborers' pay roll week ending Aug. 9th,	460 86
do 123, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	245 70
do 124, A. J. Hathaway, bill laying sewer between Main and College sts.	268 00
do 125, H. Salls, bill time of masons	19 25
do 126, Nat. Express Co. bill paver's maul,	9 50
do 127, G. N. Willard, bill chain, hooks, blasting, &c.	48 31
do 128, A. J. Hathaway, bill repair derrick,	14 50
do 129, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	117 00
do 130, P. V. Manwell, bill pasturing horse,	5 50
do 131, Laborers' pay roll week ending Aug. 16,	392 34
do 132, G. L. Linsley, bill horse hire,	18 37
do 133, H. S. Lane, bill repair harness,	4 50
do 134, G. S. Blodgett & Co., bill galv. pump, &c.,	10 03
do 135, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	51 00
do 136, Henry J. Nelson, bill office furniture,	9 00
do 137, M. Thompson, bill printing,	3 25
do 138, Peck Bros. bill cotton cloth,	5 00
do 139, Albert G. Peirce, bill sundries,	13 73
do 140, Geo. H. Bostwick, bill, derrick, rigging &c.	9 25
do 141, Laborers' pay roll week ending Aug. 23,	460 99
do 142, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	146 25
do 143, Shepard, Davis & Co, bill lumber,	78 83
do 144, A. G. Strong, tools &c.	48 54
do 145, E. W. Peck & Co. bill cement,	74 25
do 146, J. W. Pratt, bill straw,	7 59
do 147, Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	448 39
do 148, A. H. Lewis, bill hay,	17 87
do 149, Laborers' pay roll week ending Aug. 30,	468 01

Voucher No. 150, B. S. Nichols & Co., bill road roller,	650 00
do 151, D. C. Linsley, bill services,	242 29
do 152, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	154 05
do 153, labor pay roll, week ending Sept. 6th,	636 87
do 154, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	118 75
do 155, W. H. Thomas, bill hauling crush'd stone,	29 32
do 156, E. Phelps, " "	14 88
do 157, Thos. Mann, " "	10 58
do 158, V. W. Prentiss, " "	9 80
do 159, C. H. Prentiss, " "	3 28
do 160, B. R. Thomas, " "	2 71
do 161, laborers pay roll, week ending Sept. 13th,	705 22
do 162, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	117 00
do 163, B. R. Thomas, bill hauling crushed stone,	7 02
do 164, W. H. Thomas, " "	37 65
do 165, O. W. Prentiss, " "	5 73
do 166, Peter Vincent, " "	4 25
do 167, Thos. Mann, " "	27 84
do 168, E. Phelps, " "	8 56
do 169, D. C. Barber & Co., " "	4 89
do 170, John Hayes, " "	3 66
do 171, A. G. Strong, bill tools, &c.,	6 34
do 172, E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	20 25
do 173, Edwards, Stevens & Co., bill hoisting apparatus,	154 60
do 174, B. S. Nichols & Co., bill shafting, belting, &c., and labor on crusher and engine,	254 68
do 175, Wm. Scott, bill time books, &c.,	9 10
do 176, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	74 00
do 177, C. W. Lippitt, " "	25 50
do 178, Henry Arnold, bill horse collars,	3 00
do 179, Walker Bros. bill curb stone,	1,000 00
do 180, G. N. Willard, bill sundries,	37 02
do 181, laborers pay bill week ending Sept. 20th,	642 10
do 182, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	117 00

Voucher No. 183, W. H. Thomas, bill hauling crushed stone,	35 08
do 184, Peter Vincent, " " "	2 64
do 185, D. C. Barber & Co. bill haul. crushed stone	3 23
do 186, J. Black, " "	14 16
do 187, Thos. Mann, " "	26 03
do 188, P. H. Catlin, " "	12 74
do 189, M. & A. Spear, " "	5 78
do 190, John Curtis, bill cartage,	1 25
do 191, F. Brunell, "	1 50
do 192, Jas. McGinnis, "	4 00
do 193, Louis Delabac, use of boat, &c.	1 95
do 194, O. Pattrige, bill straw,	3 83
do 195, J. McGinnis, bill cartage,	1 00
do 196, Vt. Central Railroad, bill freight plow,	1 75
do 197, Geo. I. Hagar, bill machinery oil,	1 80
do 198, Jas. Wakefield, bill tar,	2 00
do 199, A. K. Ballard, bill team work,	1 00
do 200, McGaffey & Urquhart, bill sundries,	85
do 201, S. H. Russell, bill painting,	1 25
do 202, Laborers' pay roll, week ending Sept. 27,	550 72
do 203, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	84 83
do 204, W. H. Thomas, bill haul. crushed stone,	26 45
do 205, Thos. Mann, " "	20 99
do 206, C. Lappose, " "	17 13
do 207, J. Greno, " "	4 76
do 208, J. Black, " "	7 83
do 209, M. & A. Spear, " "	1 30
do 210, D. C. Linsley, bill services,	58 33
do 211, J. A. Madden, digging sewer trench,	140 40
do 212, Laborers' pay roll, week ending Oct. 4,	592 50
do 213, G. N. Willard, bill curb stone, &c.	37 56
do 214, H. A. Buttolph, bill hay,	18 00
do 215, Luther Whitney, bill timber,	127 80
do 216, A. Spear, bill boarding men while repairing Heineberg bridge,	64 00
do 217, J. Greno, bill haul. crushed stone,	20 38
do 218, J. Black, " "	12 72
do 219, Thos. Mann, " "	15 60

Voucher No. 220,	Harmon Thomas, bill haul crushed stone,	14 51
do	221, W. H. Thomas, " "	27 48
do	222, Blake Crusher Co., bill jaw plates, &c.,	85 92
do	223, J. W. Pratt, bill straw,	7 34
do	224, H. S. Lane, bill repair harness,	2 63
do	225, Geo. L. Linsey, bill coal,	34 00
do	226, Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	445 50
do	227, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	42 50
do	228, " " " "	8 50
do	229, Elmore Johnson, bill sundries,	11 68
do	230, Shepard Davis & Co., bill lumber,	157 06
do	231, " " " "	18 06
do	232, B. S. Nichols & Co., bill work on roller,	85 83
do	233, E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	31 50
do	334, " " " "	29 25
do	335, J. S. Appleton, bill horse hire,	7 75
do	336, S. Huntington & Co., bill stationery,	3 42
do	337, Ira E. Shattuck, bill metallic tape,	3 80
do	238, Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal,	207 50
do	239, Geo. I. Hagar, bill machine oil,	3 60
do	240, G. S. Blodgett & Co., bill sundries,	43 91
do	241, H. Salls, bill sundries,	15 20
do	242, laborers pay roll, week ending Oct. 11th,	458 05
do	243, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	52 65
do	244, J. Black, bill hauling crushed stone,	13 65
do	245, Harmon Thomas, bill hauling crush'd stone,	1 26
do	246, G. N. Willard, bill blacksmith work, &c.,	21 33
do	247, Brink & Co., bill sewer castings,	116 40
do	248, F. Leclair, bill brick,	265 50
do	249, H. A. Buttolph, bill hay,	34 11
do	250, E. C. Ryer, bill drawings,	3 00
do	251, H. Roby & Bros., bill trimming trees, &c.	143 44
do	252, laborers pay roll, week ending Oct. 18th,	435 32
do	253, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	39 48
do	254, E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	31 20
do	255, Free Press Association, bill printing,	5 50

Voucher No. 256, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	74 00
do 257, A. G. Strong, bill tools &c.,	44 51
do 258, Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal,	42 50
do 259, G. N. Willard, bill curbstone &c.	13 95
do 260, R. S. Styles, bill printing,	3 50
do 261, W. H. Mead & Bro., bill ice,	4 50
do 262, Central Vt. R. R., bill freight,	2 28
do 263, Shepard Davis & Co., bill lumber,	46 55
do 264, Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	736 87
do 265, Winooski Lumber Co., timber &c.,	153 27
do 266, " " "	251 88
do 267, Central Vt. R. R. Co., repairing Heine- berg bridge,	337 38
do 268, B. S. Nichols & Co., bolts for Heineberg bridge, repair tools &c.,	150 21
do 269, J. Black, bill hauling crushed stone,	27 95
do 270, C. Lapreze " " "	12 26
do 271, Harmon Thomas, " "	2 61
do 272, labor pay roll, week ending Oct. 25th,	527 30
do 273, G. N. Willard, bill curb stone, &c.,	7 75
do 274, W. H. Thomas, bill ditching &c., Union St. extension,	17 57
do 275, Patrick Lee, bill hay,	13 15
do 276, D. C. Linsley, bill services,	58 33
do 277, laborers pay roll, week ending Nov. 1st,	387 99
do 278, J. A. Madden, bill digging sewer trench,	61 26
do 279, I. W. Batt, bill straw,	6 85
do 280, W. H. Thomas, bill hauling crushed stone,	3 18
do 281, Thos. Mann, " "	3 19
do 282, laborers pay roll, week ending Oct. 8th,	342 86
do 283, H. Salls, bill sundries,	11 00
do 284, J. A. Madden, bill blasting &c.,	22 88
do 285, laborers pay roll, week ending Oct. 15th,	388 71
do 286, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	76 50

Voucher No. 287, A. B. Edwards, bill sundries,	9 50
do 288, G. N. Willard, bill stone &c.,	75 12
do 289, Walker Bros ; bill basin frames,	76 00
do 290, Ripley & Holton, bill lacings,	1 00
do 291, Drew & Perry, bill horse hire,	7 75
do 292, B. S. Nichols & Co , bill sundries,	22 97
do 293, Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal,	34 00
do 294, E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	33 75
do 295, Elmore Johnson, bill sundries,	6 37
do 296, A. G. Strong, bill tools, &c.	5 47
do 297, Shepard, Davis & Co. bill lumber,	87
do 298, Laborers' pay roll week ending Oct. 22,	191 56
do 299, Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal,	17 00
do 300, A. Gordon, bill repair tools,	2 15
do 301, Geo. I. Hagar, bill oil, &c.	9 65
do 302, G. S. Blodgett & Co, sundries,	19 81
do 303, Laborers' pay roll week ending Nov. 29,	88 62
do 304, " " " Dec. 6,	110 87
do 305, " " " Dec. 13,	48 88
do 306, G. N. Willard, bill shoeing horses, &c.	2 12
do 307, " " bill hauling crushed stone,	11 20
do 308, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	17 00
do 309, J. Black, bill hauling crushed stone,	12 85
do 310, Geo. L. Linsley, bill hauling crushed stone,	7 70
do 311, Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal,	8 50
do 312, J. S. Appleton & Son, bill horse hire, &c.	5 00
do 323, A. G. Strong, bill tools,	9 32
do 314, B. S. Nichols & Co. bill work on engine,	26 90
do 315, Geo. E. Barrows, bill straw,	6 23
do 316, Van Sicklen, Walker & Co, bill tar &c.	8 28
do 317, H. S. Lane, bill repair harness,	1 00
do 318, T. A. Miles, bill sundries,	3 20
do 319, Albert G. Peirce, bill sundries,	26 29
do 320, W. H. and F. H. Wilkins, bill rent of barn,	50 00
do 321, G. N. Willard, bill loose stone for macadamizing material,	238 72

Voucher No. 322, J. Maeck, bill hay,	164 68
do 323, Laborers' pay roll week ending Dec. 20,	34 25
do 324, C. H. Clark, bill paid sundries,	18 78
do 325, J. Black, bill rent of carts and harnesses,	28 50
do 326, Laborers' pay roll week ending Dec. 27,	32 38
do 327, Walker Bros. bill curbing crossing stone, team work, &c.	687 33
do 328, Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	293 10
do 329, H. A. Ray, bill snow plows, &c.	91 00
do 330, T. Leclair, bill brick,	216 20
do 331, E. W. Peck, bill cement,	110 25
do 332, C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	27 00
do 333, C. W. Lippett, bill oats,	9 00
do 334, New York Plow Co., bill plow shares.	4 00
do 335, Blake Crusher Co., bill rubber spring,	1 50
do 336, Peck Bros., bill cotton cloth,	3 45
do 337, Albert G. Peirce, bill sundries,	2 54
do 338, National Express Co., bill express castings,	1 00
do 339, Western Union Tel. Co., bill telegrams,	1 09
do 340, Harmon Thomas, bill hauling crushed stone,	1 68
do 341, Caroline Kidder, bill gravel,	2 80
do 342, W. H. Pollard, bill hay and meal,	4 49
do 343, U. Blair, bill cartage,	1 00
do 344, E. H. Payn, bill branding iron &c.,	1 63
do 345, Burlington Postoffice, bill box rent,	50
do 346, C. Kirby, bill hauling crushed stone,	72
do 347, Shedd & Walker, bill old brass,	54
do 348, Geo. H. Bostwick, bill pepairing blow,	40
do 349, C. H. Clark, bill paid cartage,	1 25
do 350, Anthony Laduke, bill horse hire,	6 00
do 351, H. Roby & Bros., bill sundries,	45 50
do 352, Smith & Bagley, bill whiffletrees,	6 00
do 353, A. G. Strong, bill sundries,	2 16
do 354, H. G. Willard, bill rent of barn,	10 00
do 355, Wheelock & Griffin, bill sundries,	1 55
do 356, Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	87 64
do 357, W. H. Pollard, bill tending horse &c.,	2 25

Voucher No. 358, Western Union Tel. Co., bill telegrams,	85
do 359, U. Blair, bill cartage,	1 25
do 360, Michael Kelley, bill cartage,	50
do 361, U. Blair, " "	50
do 362, H. G. Willard, bill paid cartage,	3 50
do 363, J. A. Madden, bill extra work on sewer trench,	50 00
do 364, D. C. Linsley, bill services,	116 67
do 365, Winooski Lumber Co., bill lumber,	80 00
do 366, laborers pay roll, week ending Dec. 31st,	16 19
do 367, Walker Bros., bill curbing,	6 07
do 368, A. R. & G. M. Duncan, bill repairing Wi- nooski bridge &c.,	12 15
do 369, Burlington City Water Works, bill stop boxes and cap,	2 25
Paid W. H. Thomas on account grading Union St. extension as per receipt,	350 00
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	\$33, 628 59

R E P O R T

OF THE

HEALTH OFFICER.

BURLINGTON, Dec. 31, 1873.

To the City Council :

I have the honor to present the following report of my official labors as Health Officer, commencing April 25, 1873, and ending December 31, 1873.

As far as possible my time has been occupied in visiting places throughout the city, where a lack of attention to sanitary regulations might be expected, and a re-inspection of these localities has been found necessary in many instances.

The orders issued for the abatement of nuisances have been fully recognized and the requests of the health officer, without exception, have been complied with.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.—SMALL POX.

During the past three years nearly every city through the country has suffered from an epidemic of small pox ; but not until July last, were we visited by this malady and then the disease was confined to five persons, three of whom died immediately. Upon discovery of the first case vaccination was performed on all persons residing in the vicinity of the out break, and on this precaution doubtless depends the small number of the cases to be reported. Vaccination had been thoroughly and effectually performed the year before, leaving but few who were not protected, and by such timely interference we owe the abatement of our epidemic.

All of the cases occurred in the third Ward,—four of which were of the type known as *variola confuens*, and one varioloid. Three cases of *variola confuens* (two children, one adult) died on

the twelfth day following the appearance of the eruption. Two cases recovered, one confluent, a child, one varioloid, adult.

Considerable trouble and a moyance was experienced in confining persons to the house who might—by being allowed the freedom of the city,—have spread the disease beyond control. Notices of warning which have been pasted upon houses containing patients with small pox, would be torn down and it became necessary to station a police guard at night to prevent the recurrence of such interference.

The pest house was, and is in a condition unfit for the reception of patients, and consequently persons affected with small pox were allowed to remain at their homes receiving attention and supplies from persons appointed for this purpose. In anticipation of an increase of the epidemic with the approach of cold weather, I sent a written communication to the Board of Aldermen recommending the immediate construction of a pest house, or to put the old one in a condition more habitable; but up to this time there has been no action taken by the board, and we are at present as much unprepared for an epidemic of this character as before. It is quite essential that some move be made in the matter, by appropriating a sum to the construction of a suitable building for present and prospective necessities. The community would feel safer and protection would be more certain if a commodious well arranged building was known to exist, where all classes might seek refuge when attacked by this disease, and receive that attention, and care, which the home or hospital affords.

CHOLERA.

No true case of cholera occurred during the summer, but many cases simulating this disease were reported in the months of July and August. The distribution of two thousand circulars recommending the free use of disinfectants had the effect of making many places more wholesome, and perhaps avoided the appearance of disease in many localities.

TENEMENT HOUSES.

Under this head I include all dwellings containing two or more families and not occupied by their owners. The sympathy of all charitable and benevolent persons is excited by a visit to tenement houses in large cities and their deplorable condition is alleviated in many instances by the generous donation offered in relief of their suffering; but if their investigations be confined to less populous cities like our own, a condition of want and suffering will be discovered in extent at variance with what is generally believed by individuals who seldom have occasion to visit such localities.

The tenement houses are mostly constructed of wood, a fact which affords to the inmates a certain immunity from disease, as the walls are porous from age, and lack of attention to repairs has established a system of ventilation beyond the control and without the choice of the occupant.

It is generally conceded that an adult should not be confined in an apartment containing less than 1600 cubic feet of air, but among the tenements visited during the past year I have failed to find one in twenty which afforded to each tenant an average of three hundred cubic feet,—a space too small for the maintainance of health, however salubrious the climate may be in which the city be located. It is needless to assert that foul air and badly ventilated dwellings are the direct exciting cause of many diseases occurring among the lower classes; and the experience of the past few months demonstrates the difficulty of saving the lives of persons suffering from contagious diseases who occupy the lower order of tenements. Remittent, relapsing and typhoid fevers have almost invariably proved fatal and the great mortality is undoubtedly owing to over crowded apartments, bad ventilation and the want of accessible places in which to deposit and conceal excrementitious matter. In no tenement visited have I discovered the slightest provisions made for the reception of waste material accumulating in the house, and in most instances the slops and debris of the kitchen are allowed to flow through a narrow gutter across the sidewalk into the street where it percolates into the soil or remains an unsightly, obnoxious pool upon the surface of the ground. The course to be adopted in remedying this evil is to construct sewers, a proceeding which is at present meeting the approval of every one.

Many of the tenements situated in the square bounded by Main, Water and College streets, are unfit for human habitation, and should be converted to other uses.

STABLES.

There are fifteen public stables in the city, known under the appellation of boarding, sale or livery stables, having an average of nine horses. It is in relation to the accumulation of refuse and excrementative matter upon the premises, and in close proximity to those stables, that I wish to call your attention.

The extent of nuisance which a manure deposit makes in the City of Burlington, is only, in degree, compared to a more populous place; but of the fact of its being a nuisance, there remains no longer the shadow of a doubt, and it is quite as demonstrable here as elsewhere. The Sanitary Committee of New York reported that "on no premises within the city limits, the hoarding of manure for any length of time should be allowed, but its speedy removal from the same, under all circumstances insured and enforced. The health

and cleanliness of the city and the comfort of its citizens alike demand this." If it has been found necessary to remove material accumulated in such places, in larger cities, every day, would it not seem proper to cause its removal here at least every month? As a rule the manure produced throughout the city is removed but once a year, and in consequence the odor arising from these places, during fermentation, makes their vicinity almost uninhabitable; aside from being obnoxious in odor, it is unsightly, for in many instances it is deposited in places exposed to public view. The nuisance resulting from such practice in the past could be obviated in future, and too, without detriment to the proprietors, by passing an ordinance compelling the removal of all such material once in each week. The conditions found in the large establishments, making them a nuisance, would be found to apply in equal force to private stables, situated on public thoroughfares, and in thickly populated portions of the city.

There is little attempt made by stable proprietors in securing the barn accumulations within proper enclosures—the manure being deposited in an open space, adjoining in many instances the sleeping apartment of some residence. If it be impracticable to order the removal of these accumulations every week, there would certainly be little or no objection to compelling the erection of suitable enclosures from which obnoxious odors could not escape.

SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

There are four slaughter-houses—two situated within, and two without the city limits. The two situated within the corporation, are so remote from public thoroughfares and residences, that the offal and refuse matter accumulating in these places do not make them a nuisance. With one exception the slaughtering of all animals is confined to the places above mentioned, and the effort on the part of butchers to observe cleanliness, is commendable. On two occasions, I discovered the proprietors of a meat-market, situated on Pearl, between George and Champlain streets, converting the grounds in rear of market into a slaughter-pen, but upon the service of an order prohibiting the use of this place for such purposes, they desisted, and since there has been no cause of complaint.

SWINE.

In the course of my inspection throughout the city I have found confined in styes, 240 hogs; had my investigations extended to the premises of private individuals, the number would doubtless have been considerably increased.

It is seldom that more than one pig is confined to a sty upon the premises, but adjoining tenement houses a sty is built in compart-

ments, each one containing a hog and the number corresponding to tenants occupying the house. They are built in the rudest, cheapest manner possible, situated within 40 or 60 feet of a residence, without drains or conveniences for cleaning and in no case are they connected with a sewer. Complaints have frequently been made against this nuisance by persons whose dwelling is in contact with a sty, but it has been almost impossible to effect an abatement inasmuch as the keeping of swine has become so general throughout the city. In a few instances it has been necessary to issue an order compelling the disposal of swine and a discontinuance of the use of a sty on the premises. The injustice of an order which applies to the few is keenly felt by those who have been restricted in keeping swine, while so large a number are privileged beyond the interference of an health officer.

Keeping swine is strictly forbidden within the corporation of all cities of my acquaintance having a population equal to Burlington, and until an ordinance is passed prohibiting the use of pig-styes within the city limits, we must accept the situation and consider the keeping of swine a necessity.

ASH AND GARBAGE NUISANCES.

The custom which has so long prevailed of using certain localities about the city for dumping ashes and other like soon-decaying material, is still in vogue, but the latitude of privilege has led to the practice of depositing everything in these places, until the dumping grounds so called have become a source of annoyance to every citizen and no doubt the cause of disease to persons residing in the vicinity of them.

The original design of designating certain places into which the coal ashes might be dumped, was to afford an opportunity of disposing in the easiest manner of such material and also to effect the grading of these places, making them tenable.

Had the practice been confined to the deposit of non-decaying material, the end sought would have been realized; but every variety of garbage, decaying vegetable and animal matter have found their way into these grounds, until those situated on corner Maple and Church sts, Main, east of Custom House, White st., and Colchester av., have been nuisances beyond comparison. The odor arising from them during the spring and summer months, is extremely offensive, and it has been the cause of more complaint as a nuisance during the past season than all others combined. To effect a change and obviate the difficulty, a place must be selected remote from habitations, where garbage and other refuse matter can be dumped.

An attempt was made to prevent the dumping of all refuse material, except coal ashes, in the places designated for such purposes; but the enforcement of such practice necessitated the employment of a police guard and this was considered too expensive for the practical benefit attained.

CESS-POOLS AND SEWERAGE.

The course heretofore adopted of constructing cess-pools to receive the drainage of private residences is pernicious in the extreme. When the soil is adapted to such purposes, it will accomplish all that is desired ; but in many places the ground will absorb only a small portion, leaving the greater part exposed to evaporation, polluting the atmosphere and distributing the germ of disease to persons coming in contact with it. In exceptional cases only will the cess-pool meet the necessities of a drain or substitute the sewer.

Under the efficient and well directed management of the Superintendent of Streets, the necessity of cess-pools will soon be avoided. The system of sewerage now survey and in process of construction, will effect the greatest good to every citizen, and with their completion we shall enjoy perfect immunity from diseases having their origin in stagnant pools, or wet marshy locations. Not only are sewers needed to carry refuse matter from local habitations, but they will drain small pools of stagnant water situated in so many places about the city. On the subject of drainage, the New York Sanitary Committee report : "it is a well established fact, that the principal cause of fever, is a humid miasmatic state of the atmosphere, produced by the presence of an excess of moisture in the ground, from which poisonous exhalations constantly arise, and carrying into the system of those who inhale it a virus, which, if not sufficiently intense to produce fever, has such a disturbing effect upon the functions of some organs as to weaken the general system, and act as a powerful predisposing cause of some of the most common and fatal maladies to which the human body is subject. It follows that the first effort to improve the salubrity of any place whatever, should be directed toward preventing the aggregations of water in particular localities, and to remove such as have been allowed to collect".

REGISTRATION OF MORTALITY.

I would respectfully call your attention to the passage of an ordinance respecting the registration of mortality and the interment of dead bodies.

An ordinance embodying the following points would seem to meet the end desired.

No keeper of cemetery to be allowed to receive a body for interment without first obtaining a permit of burial signed by some physician or the health officer ; every physician to be required to give written permission of burial of persons dying under his care—a

blank *certificate of death and permit of burial*, in a printed form should comprise the following particulars;—

No....

(Date.).....

Name of person deceased—age—occupation—nationality—condition, (married or single)—date of death—cause of death.

I hereby certify the above to be correct and permission for interment is hereby granted.—

(Signed)..*Physician.*

These blanks should be furnished to physicians who would fill them out for presentation to cemetery keeper, the essential points copied by him into a book kept for this purpose and the filled blanks returned to the City Clerk's Office where they be kept on file,

If no physician attended the deceased, the health officer should then ascertain if possible the cause of death and give the permit of burial.

When death occurs under suspicious circumstances the health officer should be empowered to call witnesses, conduct *post-mortems* and extend the investigation to any point, which in his judgement seemed necessary, receiving compensation for his services.—This system of registration if adopted would afford complete statistics of mortality unlike the present method pursued of gaining information by a school census; it would preclude the possibility of consigning any person to the tomb whose death was in any way shrouded in mystery, and it would convey information to physicians of diseases most commonly resulting in death, enabling them to more effectually combat the tendency to such diseases in future.

SUMMARY.

The following table exhibits the work performed by me during the period to which the report refers.

Tenement Houses	inspected,	280
Private Dwellings	"	303
Saloons and Restaurants	"	27
Public Markets	"	7
Privies and water closets (special) inspected,		87
Stables private and public	"	56
Cases of variola and varioloid visited,		5
Vaccinations performed for city,		66
Orders issued for abatement of nuisances,		21
Total,		852

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. GRINNELL, M. D.

HEALTH OFFICER

REPORT

OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

OFFICE OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR, }
Burlington, April 24, 1873. }

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :

Your Overseer of the Poor submits the following report of receipts and disbursements of the pauper department from February 1st to April 25th, 1873.

RECEIPTS.

Feb. 1.	Cash balance on hand,	\$ 24
	Wood " "	349 52
April 24.	Cash received for sales of Produce on Farm,	50 75
	" " " Wood, &c.,	37 13
	" " E. N. Phelps, 1 mare,	70 00
	" " City Treasurer on Mayor's Warrant,	980 89
		\$1,488 53

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash paid	Poor House general account,	\$164 52
"	" Repairs and Furniture,	66 84
"	E. Poquette and wife, Master and Matron,	100 00
"	H. H. Langdon, City Physician,	37 50
"	73 families in provisions and wood,	880 77

Cash paid 24 transient persons,		26 43
“ G. D. Weller, overseer's salary,		100 00
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Total Disbursements,		1,376 06
Cash balance on hand,	70 00	
Wood “ “	42 47	112 47
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		\$1,488 53

For detailed statement of disbursements, I refer to the books of this department.

INMATES OF THE POOR HOUSE, APRIL 24, 1873.

At the last Annual Report there were twelve inmates, and there have been one added and one discharged, during this quarter, leaving twelve at this date.

Invoice of stock, provisions and tools, remains the same as at last annual report, with the addition of an Ice House and some few articles of Furniture, at an expense of sixty six 84-100 dollars, and the sale of one mare at seventy dollars.

G. D. WELLER,

Overseer of the Poor.

We have examined the account of the Overseer of the Poor, ending April 24th, 1873, and find the same correct.

S. M. POPE, }
C. F. WARD, } Auditors.

Burlington, May 6th, 1873.

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :

I herewith submit the transactions of the Poor Department from April 25th, 1873, to Dec. 31st, 1873, inclusive.

Cash received of G. D. Weller,	\$70 00
“ “ sale of produce and other sources,	195 57
“ “ on Mayor's warrants,	4,152 73
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	\$4,418 30

Amount of Vouchers on file,	4,360 82
Cash balance on hand,	57 48
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	\$4,418 30

Overseer's salary,	200 00
Value of wood on hand,	375 00
	A. B. LOWRY,
	<i>Overseer of the Poor.</i>

We have examined a detailed statement of the account of the Overseer of the Poor, compared it with the vouchers and find it correct, as stated above. This account does not, as we think it should, show the entire cost of this department to date.

* { As stated above the cost is,	\$4,360 82
{ There should be added salary of Overseer,	300 00
{ Amount paid by Treasurer on Mayor's warrants,	145 62
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Total expense,	\$4,806 44

C. F. WARD, }	Auditors.
S. M. POPE, }	

* The Overseer's salary to date is \$266 66.

The amount paid on Mayor's warrants (\$145 62) was not disbursed by the Overseer.

INVENTORY OF FURNITURE IN POORHOUSE AND TOOLS
ON FARM, JANUARY 1, 1874.

32 bed racks, 41 blankets, 37 chairs, 15 stools, 10 tables, 2 stands, 2 quilts, 30 pillows, 8 feather beds, 22 straw ticks, 42 pillow slips, 41 sheets, 1 lamp, 2 candle sticks, 1 lantern, 1 teapot, 3 wash tubs, 2 coal hods, 1 clock, 2 churns, 1 butter worker. 5 smoothing irons, 5 kettles, 2 frying pans, 2 tea kettles, 1 griddle, 1 gridiron, 1 dripping pan, 3 mop sticks, 2 wash boards, 6 pails, 1 pail strainer, 1 cream pail, 1 seive, 18 tin plates, 15 table spoons, 3 tea spoons, 15 tin basins, 42 knives and forks, 36 delf plates, 35 cups and saucers, 2 tunnels, 1 large tin boiler, 1 coffee pot, 2 dippers, 4 tin cups, 1 chopping knife, 2 dust pans, 6 pepper boxes, 6 stone jars, 1 pair shears, 2 dish pans, 50 milk pans, 1 quart cup, 14 chambers, 1 bed pan, 1 oil can, 9 paper curtains, 4 table cloths, 4 towels, 5 stoves and pipe, 2 wash boilers, 1 cross cut saw, 1 old hand saw, 1 bit stock, 1 bit, 1 auger, 1 square, 1 grain cradle, 2 axes, 4 shovels, 1 spade, 1 garden rake, 8 bags, 1 robe, 2 horse blankets, 2 chains, 1 business wagon, 1 lumber wagon, 1 set sleds, 2 scythes and snaths, 1 hay knife, 3 hay rakes, 1 horse rake, 1 straw cutter, 1 wheel barrow, 4 hay forks, 2 iron bars, 1 set double harness, 1 single harness, 2 sets whiffletrees, 1 neck yoke, 1 plow, 1 harrow, 1 pair ice tongs, 2 bushel baskets, 1 clothes basket, 1 half bushel measure, 1 quart, 1 2-quart, 2 baskets, 5 hoes, 1 grind stone, 1 mower, 2 flails, 1 wrench, 1 hammer, 2 halters, 1 cultivator, 1 grub hoe, 2 potatoe diggers, 2 manure forks, 1 wood saw, 2 corn cutters, 1 scoop shovel, 1 single sleigh, 1 fishing boat, 1 portable oven, 2 wash basins, 1 wringer, 3 ladders, 1 snow shovel.

PRODUCE RAISED ON POOR FARM IN 1873.

16 tons of hay, 4 tons straw, 1 ton corn stalks, 195 bushels oats, 36 bushels rye, 45 bushels ear corn, 350 bushels potatoes, 4 bushels beans, 18 bushels carrots, 7 bushels beets, 20 bushels turnips, 7 bushels onions, 3 bushels cucumbers, 6 barrels apples, 30 lbs. dried apples, 3 barrels cider, 3 veal calves, 800 lbs. of pork, 500 lbs. of beef.

STOCK ON POOR FARM, JANUARY 1, 1874.

2 horses, 5 cows, 2 yearling heifers, 2 calves, 2 shoats 20 hens.

PRODUCE &C., ON HAND, JANUARY 1, 1874.

11 tons hay, 3 tons straw, 175 bushels oats, 15 bushels rye, 6 bushels beans, 225 bushels potatoes, 4 bushels onions, 20 gallons molasses, 60 lbs. sugar, 65 lbs. hard soap, 30 lbs. coffee, 15 lbs. tea, 5 lbs. saleratus, $\frac{1}{2}$ barrel salt, 75 gallons vinegar, 75 gallons soft soap, 50 lbs. lard, 12 dozen candles, 350 lbs. salt pork, 3 barrels apples, 30 lbs. dried apples, 15 bushels ear corn, 2 bushels turnips, 2 bushels beets, $1\frac{1}{2}$ barrels flour, 16 tons coal, 200 lbs. corned beef.

The following Persons were Inmates of the Poor House April 25, 1873.

NAMES.	AGE.	BIRTH PLACE.	DIFFICULTY.	TIME IN POOR HOUSE.
John Trudo,	89 years,	Canada,	Destitute,	14 years.
Catherine Moran,	38	Ireland,	"	7 do
Sophia Papineau,	79	Canada,	Blind,	7 do
Thomas Brassell,	58	Ireland,	Destitute,	6 do
Margaret Brassell,	63	"	"	6 do
Kate Mittenmore,	34	"	"	5 do
John Murphy,	53	"	"	5 do
Peter Donnelly,	50	"	Blind,	3½ do
Alexander Bulla,	80	Canada,	Destitute,	3 do
Jack King,	74	Burlington,	"	3 do
Isabella Cox,	55	Ireland,	"	1½ do
Thomas Thompson,	39	N. Carolina,	"	1 month.

The following persons have been admitted to the Poor House from April 25, 1873, to Jan. 1, 1874.

NAMES.	AGE	NATIVITY.	DIFFICULTY.	WHEN ADMITTED.	WHEN LEFT.	
Geo. Rutherford, Mary Monac, Joseph Meran, Ann McGowen, *Chas. Whately, Alice McGowen, Ann Martin, Sarah St. Peter, *John Berry, Edward Burnes, Francis Bero, *Amos Winchel, *Abigail, his wife, Almira Shambo, *Michael Christy, *James Coehlin, Rosalie Ploof, *Mary Franklin,	56 years, 4 33 21 29 65 73 16 82 67 85 56 73 28 28 47 49 22	England, Burlington, Canada, Burlington, Maine, Ireland, Ireland, Essex, N. Y., N. Y., Ireland, Canada, N. Y., Vermont, Canada, Canada, Ireland, Canada, N. Y.,	Inflam'd ankle, Destitute, Paralyzed, Cripple, Sick, Destitute, " Vagrant, " Destitute, " " " Paralyzed, Sick, Vagrant, " "	May June " " " " " " July " " " " " " " December " " "	23, 5, " " " " " " 28, 1, 2, " 24, 9, 7, " 13, 29, 6, 26, 29, " "	1873, "

* Transient.

Account of the Insane Asylum against the City, August 1st, 1873.

NAMES.	AGE.	BIRTH PLACE.	IN ASYLUM.	EXPENSE	REMARKS.
Mary Jane Blinn,	35	Georgia, Vt.,	16 yrs. 2 mo.,	124 12	
O. Leonard Blinn,	26	Burlington,	9 " 11 "	124 12	
Bridget Fowler,	53	Ireland,	3 " 8 "	124 12	
Caroline Barree,	42	Canada,	2 " 5 "	124 12	
Harriet Corning,	51	Burlington,	4 " 4 "	38 87	Disch. Nov. 22, 1873.
Francelia Metcalf,	38	Washington, Vt.,	4 " 4 "	36 43	
Mary Sullivan,	68	Ireland,	1 " 1 "	11 87	
Henry Beauchemin,	24	Canada,	1 " 1 "	4 71	Escaped Dec. 26, 1873.
				\$588 36	

Admitted since August 1st.

Alice Quinn,	55 years,	Ireland,	August 12, 1873.
Peter Boa,	18 "	Canada,	December 20, 1873.

REPORT

OF THE

CITY LIQUOR AGENT.

M. W. HOSMER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH CITY LIQUOR AGENCY

Dr.

For amount of Liquors on hand.....	\$1,793 28	
" " " purchased,.....	4,666 84	
" " " of Drew,.....	105 00	
" Cash of City Treasurer.....	951 20	\$,7,516 32
" Balance profit and loss,.....	—————	2,055 48
		\$9,571 80

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Cash paid City Treasurer,.....	\$6,460 47
Cash paid Incidentals,.....	186 63
" " Insurance,.....	25 00
" " Water,	6 00
" " Coal,.....	20 20
" " Salary,	700 00

Liquors on hand,	1,886 86	
Cash on hand,	86 64	
Paid rent,	200 00	
	————	\$9,571 80

M. W. HOSMER,

City Agent.

January 1, 1874.

We have examined the books of Liquor Agent, and find account as stated above, correct.

C. F. WARD, }
S. M. POPE, } *Auditors.*

Burlington, Jan. 26, 1874.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF CITY WATER-WORKS,

December 31, 1873.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington:

I submit the following report of receipts and expenditures from April 9, to December 31, 1873.

CURRENT EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

From George Whitney, cash account,.....	\$ 15 73	
“ sundry persons for extra work laying pipe, and material furnished,.....	296 58	
	<hr/>	\$312 31
“ G. D. Weller, City Treasurer, for Pay Rolls,	1,356 75	
“ G. D. Weller, City Treasurer to pay sundry bills as per monthly state- ment,	2,266 36	3,623 11
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G. D. Weller, City Treasurer on account of salary,		502 41
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		\$4,437 83

DISBURSEMENTS.

April Statement.

Monthly Pay-Roll	131 50
Union Water Meter Co. for 22 half-inch stops and bands,	56 30
“ “ bill by P. T. Sweet	2 50
C. W. Lippett, bill of feed,	6 70
W. H. Lane, repair harness,	3 50
G. H. Whitney, exchange horses,	6 00
W. Zottman, Supt.	28 08
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	\$244 58

May Statement.

Monthly Pay-Roll for labor,	\$252 99
Geo. Hurlbut for 121 bush charcoal,	26 20
Union Water Meter Company for 37 half inch stops and bands,	80 00
E. W. Peck & Co. for packing,	2 02
Geo. K. Paul & Co. for $\frac{1}{3}$ in. galv. pipe,	118 29
Frank G. Green, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. “	139 29
Ludlow Valve Co., 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. valves,	70 35
W. & D. G. Crane for bands,	1 12
C. W. Lippett, hay and oats,	20 45
W. Zottman, Supt.	58 33
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	\$768 97

June Statement.

Monthly Pay-Roll for labor,	\$174 36
Freight Bills,	45 72
George K. Paull, for plugs and unions,	17 12
“ galv. pipe,	20 27

George Woodman & Co., stop cocks,	2 75
Frank G. Green, for galv. pipe,	124 98
S. Huntington, for paper and envelopes by Sweet	2 17
W. H. Peterson, for cedar posts,	4 80
Free Press Association, adv. Water Tax,	2 00
W. A. Tyler, for work and solder,	1 65
“ for valve by Sweet,	2 35
Burlington Gas Light Company,	11 41
Ira E. Shattuck, for Tools,	16 71
Cosgriff & Townsend, for labor and material	21 47
furnished,	29 67
G. S. Blodgett & Co., for labor and material	21 47
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	\$303 07
Farrar, Follett & Co. bill tools,	\$39 74
Union Water Meter Co. 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ in stops and bands,	108 00
W. & D. G. Crane, 106 stop boxes,	45 50
C. W. Lippitt, bill of oats,	14 40
Free Press Association, adv't water notices &c.,	6 50
Geo. H. Bostwick, repairing tools,	11 98
Hiram Salls, repairs at pump house,	12 88
A. G. Strong, hardware,	16 21
R. S. Styles, printing rate-book and bills,	21 75
W. Zottman, Superintendent,	58 00
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	\$812 39

July Statement.

Monthly pay roll, labor,	\$212 12
W. & D. G. Crane, planks and boards,	10 64
C. W. Lippitt, hay and oats,	26 95
Mark Thompson, printing posters and checks,	10 00
Ira E. Shattuck, nails oil &c.,	2 11
A. Gordon, shoeing horse,	4 55
George Woodman & Co. 74 stop cocks,	95 05
Ludlow Valve Co. 12 Valves,	17 05
Union Water Meter Co., gates and bands,	34 25

Vt. Central Rail Road, freight,	75
Geo. I. Hagar, shovels,	3 45
D. M. Varney, filing saws &c.	1 25
G. S. Blodgett & Co., work plumbing.	4 53
Brink & Co., castings.	72 90
W. Zottman, Superintendent,	58 00
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	\$553 60

August Statement.

Monthly pay roll,	\$72 50
Burlington Gas Co.,	2 38
H. L. Moore, 28 days taking water rates,	70 00
W. & D. G. Crane, lumber at pump house,	21 25
Union Water Meter Co., couplings,	3 65
E. W. Peck & Co., packing,	3 47
Seaver & Lee, work at pump house,	11 02
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	\$184 27

September Statement.

Monthly Pay-Roll,	\$204 64
Henry Arnold, repairing harness,	3 25
E. W. Peck & Co., packing,	3 75
Nash & Wardlow, plumbing,	5 05
W. & D. G. Crane, 30 stop boxes,	11 40
Vt. Central R. R., freight,	2 20
G. S. Blodgett & Co., plumbing,	9 56
Geo. K. Paul & Co., galv. pipe,	123 14
C. W. Lippitt, bill of feed,	8 70
W. H. & F. H. Wilkins, wood,	2 25
Farrar, Follett & Co., rivets,	90
Free Press Association, advertising,	13 00
Smith & Bagley, repairs,	10 35
Brink & Co., castings,	96 60

D. C. Linsley, watchman at pump house,	69 00
W. Zottman, Superintendent,	116 00
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	\$679 79

October Statement.

Monthly pay-rolls,	\$85 76
T. W. Fisher & Co., lanterns,	15 00
H. S. White & Son, oil, wicks &c.,	3 46
C. W. Lippitt, feed,	9 35
W. & D. G. Crane, boards for shed,	12 24
A. R. & G. M. Duncan, blacksmithing,	2 00
A. G. Strong, hardware,	13 35
Roby Brothers, repairs at pump house,	11 69
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	\$152 85

November Statement.

Monthly pay-roll,	\$86 13
S. H. Russell, painting at pump house,	17 93
A. G. Strong, hardware,	3 68
W. & D. G. Crane, lumber,	2 63
Duffy Bassett, damage to drain,	9 75
Brink & Co., castings,	11 60
I. E. Shattuck, hardware,	13 81
B. S. Nichols & Co., work and materials,	124 87
W. Zottman, Superintendent,	116 00
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	\$386 40

December Statement.

Monthly pay roll,	\$136 75
G. H. Bostwick, repairs and shoeing,	9 32
A. Gordon, shoeing,	2 20
C. W. Lippitt, hay, straw and feed,	37 38

Seaver & Lee, work and lumber,	9 30
G. S. Blodgett & Co., pumps &c.,	11 73
E. H. Payn, repairing cut off by Sweet,	75
Wheelock & Griffin, pipe and work,	27 64
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	7 13
Walker Brothers, stone by Sweet,	4 75
Nash & Wardlow, pail and plumbing,	3 60
H. S. White & Son, oil and wicks,	3 28
A. G. Strong, nails,	83
W. & D. G. Crane, lumber,	3 57
Ira E. Shattuck, nails,	79
V. G. Barbour, measuring ditches,	5 00
G. S. Blodgett & Co., 1 union and labor,	1 85
Free Press Association, advertising,	10 50
H. S. White & Son, oil by Sweet,	70
Smith & Bagley, blacksmithing,	7 60
W. Zottman, Superintendent,	58 00

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Total Disbursements, labor,	1,356 75
“ “ stock,	2,266 36
“ “ salary,	502 41
“ “ sundry bills and office expenses,	44 50
Total paid G. D. Weller City Treasurer,	267 81

 \$4,437 83

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, City Treasurer, to pay sundry bills as follows:

Monthly statement for July,	\$367 31
“ “ “ August,	167 33
“ “ “ September,	2,828 41
“ “ “ October,	1,739 02
“ “ “ November,	438 69
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	\$5,450 76

DISBURSEMENTS.

July Statement.

Monthly pay-roll, labor,	\$198 81
A. G. Strong, hardware,	31 63
Linsley & Appleton, 2 water gates,	30 00
Brink & Co., castings,	27 00
W. & D. G. Crane, hydrant boxes,	7 50
G. H. Bostwick, blacksmithing,	3 75
Ira E. Shattuck, powder and fuse,	13 64
Guy N. Willard, sharpening drills,	40 18
V. G. Barbour, grade stakes,	3 00
Seaver & Lee, work at pump house,	11 80
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	\$367 31

August Statement.

Monthly pay-roll,	167 33
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September Statement.

Monthly pay-roll,	21 02
W. & D. G. Crane, hydrant boxes,	99 31
Brink & Co., castings,	497 48
W. H. & F. H. Wilkins, freight,	3 46
R. D. Wood & Co., invoice 10 in. pipe,	2,207 14
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	\$2,828 41

October Statement.

Monthly pay-roll,	168 00
R. D. Wood & Co., invoice 10 in. pipe,	1, 378 50
W. H. & F. H. Wilkins, freight,	173 07
Central Vt. R. R., freight,	19 45
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	\$1,739 20

November Statement.

Pay-Rolls,	96 70
W. H. & F. H. Wilkins, for freight,	109 00
Brink & Co., for castings,	96 60
W. & D. G. Crane, for lumber,	109 65
Ludlow Valve Co., for valves,	25 45
Vt. Central Rail Road, freight,	1 29
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	\$438 69
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Total amount disbursed for Construction,	\$5,540 76

RECAPITULATION.

Total amount received for Current and Construction account,		\$9.978 59
Paid Water-Works, current expenses,	3.623 11	
“ “ construction,	5.510 76	
“ G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	267 81	
“ Sundry bills as per statement and vouchers,	44 50	
“ Salary,	\$502 41	\$9.978 59

In addition to the above \$5.540 76 on Construction account, there has been paid by Mayor's Warrants, for trenching, \$870 83; sundry bills \$418 63; repairs on Pump-House, \$4.545 30.

Making in all for 1873, actually paid	\$11.375 52
And there are bills unpaid at this time,	\$7.256 45

Total cost of work and material,	\$18,631 97
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The distribution of pipe and labor for construction account is substantially as follows :

Shelburn Street.

780 feet of 4 inch cement pipe from A. Taylor's south to G. N. Willard's,	491 40	
Hydrant and gates,	76 50	
Work blasting and sharpening drills,	219 71	
Trenching and back filling,	238 93	
Lighting ditches,	3 00	\$1,029 54

Lumber Yard District.

2,696 feet 6 inch cement pipe from Linsley's mill northerly,	2,534 24	
11 hydrants, gates and setting,	868 18	
Trenching and back filling,	648 00	
Making connections at Linsley's mill,	18 25	4,068 67

Tuttle Street.

1,450 feet 4 inch cement pipe from Main St.		
south to M. Davis' south line,	913 50	
2 hydrants, gates and setting,	170 00	
Trenching and back filling,	283 20	
2 hydrant bases,	16 00	1,382 70

From Pump House easterly to Lake St.

525 feet 10 inch iron pipe,	1,421 00	
2 10 inch and 1 6 inch gates,	170 00	
Trenching and back filling,	92 80	
Making connections with main pipe near pump house,	65 50	
Work laying pipe and lead for joints,	245 00	
Extra work fitting pipe and branches and making patterns,	225 19	2,219 49

Myrtle Street.

240 feet 1 inch galv. pipe	54 00	
1 1-inch gate,	10 00	
Laying pipe,	5 25	
Trenching and back filling,	43 50	112 75
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		8,813.15

Lowering iron pipe on College and Water sts.		
and cement pipe on Water st., in consequence of grading streets,		188 98
2 Fire hydrants, Philadelphia pattern, set at cor. of College and St. Paul sts.		
and cor. College and Pine sts.,	90 00	
Setting and making connections,	30 00	120 00

Laying pipe from Pumping Main across rail- road tracks to east line of Lake st., near B. S. Nichols' Pioneer Buildings, and putting in two hydrants,	879 86
Extra work by Pat. Water and Gas Pipe Co. in different streets in laying pipe,	147 58
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Total amount of disbursements,	\$10.149 57
Add cost of repairs on Pump House,	4.545 30
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Total,	\$14.694 87
Stock on hand pr. invoice,	3.937 10
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Total expenses,	\$18.631 97
Received from City Treasurer, on last year's balance,	\$1.789 17
Received from City Treasurer,	9.586 35
Bills unpaid,	7.256 45
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	\$18.631 97

PRESENT INDEBTEDNESS.

Due City Treasurer,	9.586 35
Bills unpaid,	7.256 45
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Total,	\$16.842 80

INVOICE OF STOCK ON HAND, DEC. 31, 1873,

FOR CONSTRUCTION ACCT. OF BURLINGTON WATER WORKS.

39 pigs of lead, 3,510 lbs.,	\$280 80
8 10 in. sleeves, 800 lbs.,	40 00
108 pieces 10 in. iron pipe, 99,900 lbs.,	2,997 00
5 pieces, branches,	30 00
2 pieces 10 in. pipe, with flanges,	60 00

1 10 in. gate,	70 00	
1 6 in. reducer, and 2 2 in. sleeves,	3 00	
2 fire hydrants,	90 00	
2 10 in. elbows,	30 00	
6,726 lbs., pipe and branches,	336 30	3,937 10

INVOICE OF STOCK AND TOOLS ON HAND AT PUMP HOUSE.

Tools and fixtures,	150 00	
“ “ “ of D. C. Linsley,	118 85	
150 feet of 2½ in. linen hose, rubber lined,	210 00	
50 feet of 1 in. rubber hose,	10 00	
191 tons of coal,	1,415 21	1,904 06

The amount of water pumped from January

1, to December 31 1873 is 164,867,946 gallons.

Cost of pumping, \$4,683 96

“ “ repairs and service pipes 9 months, 4,125 52

Interest on bonded debt, 13,500 00

Total, 22,309 48

Receipts from water rates for 11 months

\$16,651 63, equal per annum to 18,839 26

Deficiency, 4,270 22

NOTE.—The cost of laying service pipe \$2,518 28, properly belonging to construction account, is included in the above item of \$4,125 52 which deducted would leave for current expenses,
\$1,607 24

No. of families supplied with water, 1,608

“ “ stores and offices, 192

1800 increase 146

Bath tubs and water closets,	303 increase 73
Garden hose,	202 decrease 25
Steam boilers,	20
Service pipes,	1310 increase 119

I have added ten street gates, one public water trough at foot of Falls hill, replaced four other troughs, added one hundred and eighteen service pipes, from main pipe to line of street, repaired forty-four leaks in cement pipe and one leak in iron pipe.

I have added sixteen fire hydrants as follows :

Eleven in lumber yard north of Linsley's mill on the line of six inch pipe, two on Lake St. near Pioneer shops, two on Tuttle St. near each end of line, one on Shelburn St. near G. N. Willard's.

The contract with D. C. Linsley for pumping expired Dec. 31 1873, and the city is now running the pumps.

With the exception of the pier near the pump house and the reservoir I consider the entire works in good condition.

The paving of the reservoir has given away in many places, and needs repairs.

The pier near the pump house should be raised to a level with the dock and secured with heavy timbers.

WM. ZOTTMAN, Superintendent.

The following is a list of stock and tools on hand to which I have affixed no price :

1 horse, 1 wagon, 1 harness, 1 blanket, 1 rubber blanket, 1 tool cart, 1 steam boiler, 1 forge, 1 furnace, 1 stove kettle, 45 bands and stops, 5 shovels, 5 picks, 10 lanterns, 5 pipe tongs, 5 wrenches, 6 cold chisels, 1 pipe cutter, 1 stock and dies, 2 hand saws, 2 vises, 1 grind stone, 7 gate wrenches, 1 axe, 1 ratchet and drills, 1 stock and drills, 2 pumps, 2 augers, 2 pipe hooks, (tapping iron pipe,) 1 tape line, 1 ladder, 1 cement box, 1 level, 1 pair snips 4 drill hammers, 15 drills, 3 packing hammers, 1 hand hatchet, 8 hydrant wrenches, 1 set tamping irons, 1 trowel, 2 oil cans, 3 punches, 1 pair tinsmith's shears (heavy,) 1 bench stake, 1 draw shave, 1 brace, 1 pair compass, 1 expansion bit, 3 iron ladles (melting lead,) 2 iron pots (melting lead,) 2 flue cleaners, 4 tin cans, 2 tin dippers, 2 tin pails, 1 step ladder, 1 set iron pulleys, 1 cable chain, 1 set shears (for hoisting,) 23 gate stems, 55 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch stop valves, 5 1 inch stop

valves, 9 Ludlow valves, 18 unions, 2 iron bars, 75 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch Ts, 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. elbows, 60 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. elbows, 2 pieces rubber packing, 1 pair rubber mits, 3 coils twine 2 rolls jute, 250 feet rubber hose, 250 feet $\frac{1}{2}$ in. galvanized pipe, 275 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ in. galvanized pipe, 200 feet 1 in. galvanized pipe, 40 feet $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. galvanized pipe, 25 barrels cement, 1 bull rake, 2 stoves at office, 1 stove at reservoir, 5 chairs, 2 stools, 2 coal hods, 1 dust pan, 1 broom, 1 fire shovel, 2 desks, 2 spittoons, 1 letter filer, 1 waste basket, 1 hand stamp, 1 letter press, 1 map of City of Burlington, 1 map of City Water Works, 1 plan of Lake View Cemetery, 1 view of pumps, 4 sheets of iron, 20 stop box caps, 13 street gate caps, 25 bushels charcoal.

WM. ZOTTMAN, SUPT.

R E P O R T

OF THE

CHIEF OF POLICE.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1873.

To the Hon the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Burlington.

GENTLEMEN :

The Chief of Police respectfully submits his report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1873.

Whole number of arrests made by the Police Department during the year, 433 ; which may be classed as follows :

For Intoxication,		146
“ Violation of the Liquor Law,		89
“ Open and Gross Lewdness,		1
“ Breach of Peace,		42
“ Assault and Battery,		22
Keeping Intoxicating Liquor with intent to sell,	16	Breach of City Ordinance, 15
Vagrancy,	9	Grand Larceny, 14
Cruelty to Animals,	2	Petit Larceny, 12
Highway Robbery,	2	Receiving stolen property, 1
Obtaining intoxicating Liquor of City Agent under false pretences,	1	Burglary, 3
Burglary with intent to Rape,	1	Violation of Sunday Law, 1
Assault with intent to kill,	1	Impeding Officer, 1
Search for stolen goods,	2	Liquor Seizures, 47
		Bastardy, 0
		Total, 433

Total number who have received shelter at Police Station during the year, eighty seven (87).

POLICEMEN.

The Police now number forty nine (49), and are distributed as follows :

In ward one 5 ; In ward two 5 ; In ward three 17 ; In ward four 9 ; In ward five 13. Out of this number twenty-six (26) are watchmen at the various lumber yards, manufactories, railroad depots and wharves, to whom policeman's warrants have been given, but they are not in the ordinary sense considered as policemen of the city ; leaving twenty-three men properly belonging to the police force of the city.

The special night patrol has been continued, and increased during the year as follows :

From January 1, to September 16, there were two men each night upon special patrol duty, and from September 16, to the date of this report, three men each night assigned to that duty.

By order of the Mayor there was a special day-police patrol put on duty July 5th last, consisting of four men, and continued until September 5th last, it is believed with good effects.

The number of arrests made in behalf of other towns, by our force the past year, has been thirteen.

The property in my hands owned by the city and contained in the Police Station is ample for our present needs and is all in good order. By the liberality of the Merchants National Bank a "tell-tale clock" has been procured, which our night patrol men are required severally to wind once in each hour—equivalent to winding three times an hour—this clock records the exact time that this duty is performed, and is so situated that the patrol *must* make his assigned round of duty during each hour of the night, or his failure so to do is put on record by the "tell-tale clock". Our citizens may rest assured that this duty is rigorously exacted of the patrol.

I have in conclusion to say that at this date there are no prisoners confined in jail at the expense of the city ; that there are twenty uniformed policemen, who, wearing some part of their uniform when "off duty", are easily recognisable by every one; and I respectfully urge, that if at any time our citizens lose any article upon the streets, or by theft, no matter how trifling in amount, they inform some one of the Police thereof, that prompt search and vigilant care will be exercised by them to recover and restore property lost to the rightful owner.

A good deal of property lost by theft, or accident, during the past year has been recovered by the police at little or no expense to the loser. And more doubtless would have been recovered, if the losers had promptly informed the police.

I respectfully suggest that the adoption of Rules and Regulations for the government of the police of the city is a matter much needed, and trust that your honorable body will give the proper consideration to the subject at an early day.

Respectfully Submitted,

Burlington, Jan. 1, 1874.

L. A. DREW, CHIEF OF POLICE.

REPORT

OF THE

CITY ATTORNEY.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington:

In accordance with section 5 of "an ordinance in relation to accounts and claims against the city," I herewith present my account as City attorney from the first day of February 1873, to the 25th of April, when my term as such officer expired.

A suit against the city was brought since my last report, by S. A. Brownell, of Essex, to recover damages occasioned by an accident to his team while driving on Shelburn street, which happened, as he claimed, by reason of a defect in the highway. I deemed it advisable after examination to compromise the claim, and did so by the payment of fifty dollars, and I would ask you to draw a warrant for that sum for such settlement.

In the matter of appeals from the assessments for the College street sewer, I made an arrangement with the petitioners to have the several appeals consolidated and the cases entered as one suit. The old cases were, therefore, discontinued, and a new one entered in the name of all the petitioners jointly against the city. This is the only case now pending against you, except the two which have been heard in the Supreme Court, and the case of Walker vs. the City, for the particulars of which I refer you to my former reports, and one suit where the city is trustee.

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. TAFT,

Ex-City Attorney.

April 25, 1873.

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,
Burlington, Jan. 31, 1874. }

To the City Council :

I have the honor as City Attorney, to present the following report :

At the commencement of my official term, there was pending in the County Court for this County, one suit in which the City was interested, viz: Charles W. Woodhouse *et al* against Burlington. And in the Court of Chancery for said county one suit—John Walker against Burlington and the Cemetery Commissioners. There was also pending in the Supreme Court, one suit: Grace Edgecumb *et al.* against Burlington.

The suit in favor of Charles W. Woodhouse *et al*, is an appeal from the decision of the Street Commissioners in making certain sewer assessments on property of the appellants. There were originally five different suits, pending in the County Court against the City, all growing out of the building of the same sewer ; but under a stipulation between my predecessor and the appellant's attorney, all but the case of Woodhouse against the City were discontinued, and the appellants, who were L. B. Platt, Ira Shattuck, John H. Cheever and Edward W. Peck and wife, entered and became parties to the case of Woodhouse vs. Burlington. Costs in suits discontinued to abide result in the last mentioned case, which is now pending in the County Court, and in which Commissioners were appointed at the April Term, 1873. It is expected that a hearing will be had before said Commissioners in time for them to make their report to the coming April Term. I have no doubt the assessments of the Street Commissioners will be sustained, but the amount may be reduced.

The suit in favor of John Walker, in Chancery, was entered at the September Term 1871, of said Court, and resulted from the dissatisfaction of the orator with the amount allowed by the Board of Aldermen, for land taken for the enlargement of Green Mount Cemetery. This suit is still pending and has been continued from term to term, awaiting the decision of the Supreme Court, in the case of Edgecumb *et al*, as they both stand upon substantially the same

ground. This suit will probably be ended at the coming April Term of that Court; but whether ended then or not, I have no doubt but what the final decision will be in favor of the City.

The case of *Edgecumb et al* was argued before the Supreme Court for this county at its January Term, 1873, and held under advisement until sometime during the ensuing summer, when it was ordered to be re-argued at the general term, held at Montpelier in November last. The case was re-argued accordingly, by E. J. Phelps and self, for the City. The General Term affirmed the decision of the Chancellor, dismissing the orator's bill, and thus the case was finally determined in favor of the City with costs, which will be taxed at the coming Term of the Court of Chancery, for this County. The decision in this case practically determines Walker's case, as already stated, they stand on substantially the same grounds.

On the 17th of October last, John H. Cheever, of New York, commenced a suit in Equity in the United States Circuit Court for the District of Vermont, against the Street Commissioners and Superintendent of Streets to enjoin and restrain them from cutting down perpendicularly the banks along the east side of Union street extension, adjoining said Cheever's land, up to the east line of said extension—in other words, to restrain them from working and grading said extension its entire width; and also, from cutting straight down on the east line of said extension adjoining Cheever's land, for the purpose of obtaining earth with which to grade and properly construct said extension, because in so doing, they were removing the lateral support of his land, which if removed, would render his land liable to cave and slide into the street. On the filing of Cheever's bill on said 17th of October last, in said Circuit Court, the District Judge for this District issued a temporary injunction, enjoining said Commissioners and Superintendent from further cutting down and removing the earth on the margin and sides of said extension through Cheever's land, as they were then doing. Soon after, the District Judge made an order requiring the Commissioners and Superintendent to appear on a day named, and show cause why the injunction should not be continued until the final decision of the cause. Considerable

testimony was taken on both sides, to be used on the hearing under said order to show cause, and a hearing was had before the District Judge, on the 19th of November last. After an elaborate argument of the questions of law involved, in which I was ably assisted by the Hon. T. E. Wales, the Judge ordered that the injunction be continued in force, and the defendants were ordered to answer by February 1st 1874. The answers have been filed, and cause will probably stand for a hearing on bill and answer, at the coming February Term of the U. S. Circuit Court.

The principles involved in this case are of the highest importance to the City and the public, and should the claims of Cheever be sustained by the Court of last resort, farther improvement of our streets will practically be at an end. But I have no doubt but what the final decision will be in favor of the City, indeed such seems to be the opinion of the bar generally. The decision of the Supreme Court of this State, has uniformly been adverse to Cheever's claims.

To the foregoing cases I have to add that of Ellen L. Platt, against the City which is an appeal to the County Court from the decision of the Street Commissioners, in laying out a street, extending from the northern terminus of Willard street to North. This case will be entered at the coming April Term of the County Court. Aside from the matters above referred to, the business of this office during the past year has consisted of a few prosecutions for violations of City ordinances, and consultation with City officers from time to time, as they have deemed it proper to ask for professional or official advice.

R. H. START,
City Attorney.

REPORT

OF THE

LAKE VIEW CEMETERY.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

Your Cemetery Commissioners respectfully report their cash receipts from all sources, from February 1st, to December 31, 1873—as follows :

RECEIPTS.

Balance cash from last year's account,		\$164 76
City vault fees,		57 00
Miscellaneous items,		40 78
Opening and filling graves,	174 00	
Fitting up private burial lots,	285 57	
Cutting grass, " "	188 00	647 57
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Proceeds of sales burial lots, from February		
1st to December 31, 1873,		1,241 22
Cash advanced by Dan Lyon,		63 67
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		\$2,215 00

The above cash deficiency of \$63 67 will shortly be made up through collections of balances which are now due to Lake View Cemetery.

EXPENDITURES.

Pay-rolls, including wages of Dan Lyon, Cemetery Commissioner,	\$1.314 57
Fees of City Vault refunded,	7 00
Repairs and shoeing horse,	98 83
Incidentals,	364 10
Water construction in the Cemetery, 800 feet pipe and fixings,	295 74
Hay and grain,	70 43
Manure,	42 33
H. H. Doolittle, Cemetery Commissioner,	10 00
Nathaniel Parker, " "	10 00
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	\$2.215 00
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We have examined the above together with the detailed statement and vouchers submitted, and find the same correct as stated.

C. F. WARD,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
S. M. POPE,	
LEVERETT B. ENGBESBY,	

Burlington, Jan. 13, 1874.

CONDITION OF THE FINANCES OF LAKE VIEW CEMETERY.

ASSETS.

Balances due on sales of burial lots,	\$86 06
" " Book account,	22 00
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Total,	\$108 06

LIABILITIES.

Amount advanced by D. Lyon, \$63 67

RECORD OF THE AGGREGATE SALES OF BURIAL LOTS IN LAKE VIEW CEM-
ETERY, TO DECEMBER 31, 1873.

Whole number of lots sold prior to this date	
183 cash	\$9.095 26
Sales of lots the past year, 31, cash,	1.241 22
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Total number lots sold, 214, cash	\$10.336 48

INTERMENT RECORD.

Original interments, to Dec. 31, 1873,	159	
Removals to Lake View “ “	129	288
Original Interments the past year,	58	
Removals to Lake View,	12	70
Total number of Interments in Lake View,	358	
N. PARKER, DAN LYON, HENRY H. DOOLITTLE,	}	Cemetery Commissioners.

LOCUST STREET CEMETERY.

RECEIPTS.

Cash remaining in the hands of Cemetery Commissioners from last year's account,	\$46 40	
Balance, cash in City Treasury subject to draft of Cemetery Commis- sioners,	300 00	\$346 40

EXPENDITURES.

Paid J. L. Spaulding & Co.'s bill painting fence,	244 00	
A. B. Lowry, superintending,	5 00	
H. H. Doolittle, Cemetery Commissioner,	5 00	254 00
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G. D. Weller, Treasurer's receipt amount covered into the Treasury,	42 40	
For amount which has not been drawn from the Treasury the same not being wanted to complete therepairs and painting,	50 00	\$92 40
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		\$346 40

N. PARKER,	}	<i>Cemetery Commissioners.</i>
DAN LYON,		
HENRY H. DOOLITTLE,		

Examined, and found correct as stated.

S. M. POPE,	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
C. F. WARD,		
L. B. ENGLISBY,		

R E P O R T
OF THE
CHIEF ENGINEER.

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

GENTLEMEN :

As required by the City Ordinance, I herewith present the annual report of the department for the year ending December 31st, 1873.

1st. Rough and Ready Hook and Ladder, truck and apparatus all in good order. William Denning, Foreman ; Patrick Butler, 1st Assistant ; Patrick Fitzsimmons, 2d Assistant ; Matthew Collins, 3d Assistant ; E. M. Sutton, Clerk ; 60 men.

2d. Boxer Engine Company No. 3, and apparatus with 1000 feet leather and 100 feet linen hose, all in good condition. J. W. Wardlow, Foreman ; Alexander Crosby, 1st Assistant ; E. J. McCarty, 2d Assistant ; Michael Cummings, Clerk ; 50 men.

3d. Ethan Allen Company No. 4, and apparatus with 1000 feet of leather hose all in first rate condition. A. S. Drew, Foreman ; B. J. Derby, 1st Assistant ; A. B. Witherell, 2d Assistant ; William E. Weller, Clerk ; 47 men.

4th. Star Hose Company No. 2, located in Ward 2, 500 feet linen hose apparatus and hose all in good condition. Lowell C. Grant, Foreman ; G. E. Cowlbeck, 1st Assistant ; Henry J. Hubbard, 2d Assistant ; Will H. Drew, Clerk.

5th. Howard Hose No. 5, located in Ward 5, 500 feet linen hose all in better condition than could be expected with the place and conveniences the Company have to take care of the same. E. L. Willard, Foreman; C. S. Murray, 1st Assistant; William Conger, 2d Assistant; Chas. L. Dolen, Clerk and Treasurer.

6th. Clipper Hose Company No. 6, Ward 1, 500 feet linen hose all in good condition. John Murdock, L. Foreman; Edward E. Bevins, 1st Assistant; John L. McGowan, 2d Assistant; John B. Morse, Clerk.

7th. L. Barnes Hose Company No. 7, Ward 3, new cart and 500 feet linen hose, every thing in tip top condition. Dan R. Bracken, Foreman; John H. Waters, 1st Assistant; Edw. O'Neil, 2d Assistant; W. H. Lee, clerk.

Volunteer Hose Company No. 1, Ward 4. This Company own their "Spider" and 1000 feet linen hose always in good condition. Theodore S. Peck, Foreman; H. M. Conger, 1st Assistant; P. W. Barney, clerk and treasurer; J. B. Scully, Auditor. I am glad to report that this Company still stands outside the rule which your Honorable Board have adopted in respect to granting aid to the Fire Companies. This Company is an Independent Company, own their carriage and hose. There is no need of saying any thing in favor of this Company, they can speak for themselves; there has not been a fire alarm, at which they have not reported for duty.

The department has on hand besides the property enumerated, the old Hook and Ladder truck and apparatus. This truck is not of the most modern style, but is substantial and the only ladders that are safe to put a line of men and hose on. I hope some patriotic young men will form a new Company and still keep the truck in the department, the apparatus never went back on the boys.

The department has in all 5000 feet of serviceable hose which is all that is required. If hydrants were put at every corner, I should recommend more hydrants instead of hose.

I am happy to report that the condition of the Fire Department is harmonious in every respect. I shall say nothing about the ability

of the firemen of this City, their works will speak for themselves. Since the last report, there have been 18 alarms of fire at which the fire department turned out, and the loss of property is less than \$3.500, this is all that need be said about the firemen of this City.

I do not know of any thing that is wanted for the Hook and Ladder, Engine or Hose Companies, except the Howard Hose—I should recommend to sell the cart and hose or provide the company with a suitable place to take care of the apparatus. This is the only Company that I know of that has been neglected.

The Engineer Department is as follows:

Chief Engineer,	H. S. WHITE,
1st Assistant,	JOHN H. CROMBIE,
2d “	WILLIAM SMITH,
3d “	GEORGE A. RUMSEY,
4th “	EDWARD A. LUCAS.

Officers and Members of the Burlington Fire Department.

FEBRUARY 1, 1874.

HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

Foreman, WM. DENNING.

1st Asst. PATRICK BUTLER, 3d Asst. MATHEW COL LINS.
 2d Asst. PATRICK FITZSIMONS. Clerk and Auditor, E. M. SUTTON.
 Treasurer, RICHARD CUSHING.

MEMBERS.

Butler, Patrick	Deavitt, Wm.	Madigan, John
Butler, Thomas	Flaherty, Patrick	Murphy, Mike
Brinsmaid, Wm.	Fitzsimons, Patrick	McCarty, John
Breslihan, John	Flynn, D. E.	Mulqueen, Patrick
Buchanan, Wm.	Gormon, Ed.	Murphy, Thomas
Cushing, Richard	Hastings, John	O'Brien, Jerry
Cunningham, James	Halloran, Patrick	Place, Edgar
Cunningham, Michael	Hudson, Geo.	Powers, Wm.
Collins, Mathew	Kelly, John	Russell, Thomas
Delibac, Louis	Kelly, Mike	Ryan, Richard
Duggan, Richard	Kennedy, Dennis	Stone, Andrew
Denning, Wm.	Lander, Peter	Sutton, E. M.
Denning, James	Lovejoy, Stephen	Sullivan, John
	Marengo, Peter	Tyler, Geo. O.

BOXER ENGINE CO. NO. 3.

Foreman, JOHN W. WARDLOW.

1st Asst. ALEXANDER CROSBY. 2d Asst. EDWARD J. MCCARTY.
 MICHAEL CUMMINGS, Clerk.

MEMBERS.

Bostwick, O. F.	Henry, J. W.	Mitchell, Jacob
Brooks, C. E.	Hayden, James	McKanna, Michael
Bruyette, Charles	Hanly, Wm.	Moran, Isaac
Cavanaugh, John	Kelly, Wm.	McDonough, J. C.
Doxey, John	Kelly, John	Murray, Neil C.
Durham, Peter	Ladam, Frank	O'Brian Thomas
Dunn, Wm.	Love, H. S.	Osborne, Robert
Dooley, T. E.	Thomas, Wm.	Ritchie, Patrick
Dooley, M.	White, James	Ryan, Michael
Doxey, A.	Lyman, George	Rivard, Peter
Daily, Richard	Lynch, Wm.	Reagan, David
Elmore, William	Lane, Thomas	Rowe, Ransom
Hughes, Charles	Lock, Walter	Shortsleeves, Frederick
Hudson, Geo. 2d.	Mitchel, Daniel	Skahan, James

ETHAN ALLEN ENGINE COMPANY NO. 4.

Foreman, A. S. DREW.

1st Asst. BUEL J. DERBY.

2d Asst. A. B. WITHERELL.

Auditor and Trustee, A. G. STRONG, Clerk and Treas., W. E. WELLER.

Barlow, Edward	Hagar, G. I.	Strong, A. G.
Beebe, C. L.	Hall, W. E.	Storrs, O. S.
Bedord, Felix	Johnson, S., Jr.	Taft, E. W.
Burritt, E. W.	Lamora, Oliver	Tyler, W. A.
Clark, H. N.	Lang Patrick	Walker, Solomon
Cole, A. K.	Lucas, Ed. F.	Walker, Hiram
Conant, A. F.	Murray, Moses	Ward, C. F.
Converse, F. K.	Miner, C. E.	Washburn, H. L.
Cosgriff, T. V.	Peck, J. E.	Weller, Wm. E.
Cushman, W. M.	Pierson, R. I.	White, Napoleon
Cunningham, R. M.	Powers, C. H.	White, Henry S.
Davis, H. H.	Reed, H. L.	Whitney, C. H.
Derby, B. J.	Reynolds, W. G.	Witherell, A. B.
Doolittle, W. F.	Russell, W. P.	Wright, G. F.
Drew, A. S.	Smith, C. P.	Van Sicklen, F. M.
Ferguson, W. F.		

VOLUNTEER HOSE COMPANY, NO. 1.

Foreman, THEO. S. PECK.

1st Asst. H. R. CONGER.

2d Asst. JOEL LINSLEY.

Clerk and Treasurer, W. C. WAITE.

Auditor, W. S. LANGWORTHY.

Avery, S. C.	Greene, W. E.	Nichols, S.
Barney, P. W.	Grow, H. R.	Peck, T. S.
Conger, H. R.	Henderson, E. F.	Pease, C. E.
Cutler, T. C.	Jackman, C. E.	Riley, J. A.
Carleton, C.	Laduke, G. L.	Scully, J. B.
Dodge, G. M.	Lepronde, M.	Shattuck, I. E.
Dewey, F. C.	Langworthy, W. S.	Shaw, Louis.
Drake, W. B.	Linsley, J.	Smith, J. B.
Ferguson, O. B.	Loomis, G. I.	Turner, A. C.
Fay, F. F.	Loomis, H. L.	Wright, G. S.
Foster, Curt. E.	Loomis, Horatio.	Waite, W. C.

STAR HOSE COMPANY, No. 2.

OFFICERS ;

Foreman, LOWELL C. GRANT.

GEO. E. COWLBECK, 1st Asst.,

HENRY J. HUBBARD, 2d Ass.,

WILL H. DREW, Clerk & Treas.,

WILL FAULKNER, Auditor.

MEMBERS.

Peters, Melvin M.	Stannard, Jed	Norton, Lewis
Beach, Jos. T.	Chase, Roger E.	Lander, Michael
Spear, Henry E.	Bordeau, Will	Austin, Alfred L.
Whitney, Herman	Gero, Jos.	Richardson, Ed.
Ostrander, Benj.	Sheridan, John	Noyes, John

CLIPPER HOSE, No. 6.

OFFICERS :

Foreman, JOHN L. MURDOCK.

E. E. BEVINS, 1st Asst.,

JOHN L. MCGOWAN, 2d Asst.

J. B. MORSE, Clerk,

G. A. RUMSEY, Treasurer.

MEMBERS.

Rickerson, S. B.	Lowther, John	Gregg, William
Willard, Simon	Martin, Lewis	Jerry, Edward
Mayo, Adolphus	Leclair, Peter	Mayo, Charles
Poirier, Joseph		

BARNES HOSE COMPANY, No. 7.

OFFICERS.

D. R. BRACKEN, Foreman.

JOHN H. WATERS, 1st Asst.,	EDWARD O'NEIL, 2d Asst.,
W. H. LEE, Clerk & Treas.,	DENNIS FLAHERTY, Auditor.

Ritchie Peter G.	Cook, John	Nolan, Patrick
Mead, G. F.	Shehan, John	Blythe, Alphonse
Murray, John	Carter, Walter	Gero, Lewis
Kelley, John W.	Farrell, Patrick	Foren, Dennis
Cook, Michael	Dullahan, Michael	Ahearn, Thomas F.
Corrigan, Thomas	Sullivan, Thomas W.	
Durham, James	Coy, Patrick	

I cannot close this report without expressing my thanks to the assistant engineers and to the officers and men of the entire department, for the cheerful spirit in which they have severally executed my orders, and for their courteous and friendly demeanor towards me. All our relations have been entirely pleasant.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. S. WHITE,

Chief Engineer.

Office of the Chief Engineer, Fire Department.

AN ORDER IN RELATION TO FIRE ALARMS.

1st. The Fire Alarms will be sounded by the following: The Court House bell, Unitarian Church bell, Baptist Church bell, the whistle at the planing mill of Shepard, Davis & Co.

2d. In sounding alarms, the following rules will be observed: Upon alarm of fire, the several bells and whistles will strike the usual alarm (several rapid taps) to be immediately followed by a slight pause, when the signals will be given denoting the Ward the fire is in, viz:

For Ward 1.—(Winooski) usual alarm, and one stroke of the bell and one whistle.

For Ward 2.—(East half of North Ward) alarm and two stroke, bells and whistle.

For Ward 3.—(West side of North Ward) usual alarm three strokes of the bells and whistle.

For Ward 4.—(Centre Ward) usual alarm, four strokes of bell and whistle.

For Ward 5.—(South Ward) usual alarm and whistle five strokes of bells.

For the Lumber District, north of Maple street, a succession of rapid alarms.

For the Lumber District, south of Maple street, one continued and prolonged sound of whistle.

This method of giving alarms for the first is to be repeated at short intervals.

3d. In case the location of the fire is not certainly known, the persons sounding the alarm will sound only a general fire alarm, until the location thereof is communicated to them, when they will proceed to give the proper signal.

When the location of a fire is known to the persons having charge of the alarm bells and whistles to be on the Colchester side of Winoski River, they will not sound the alarm except upon the order of one of the board of engineers.

It is hoped and expected from our citizens when giving an alarm of fire that they will communicate with the persons having charge of the fire alarm bells and whistles, or either of them as stated in this order, as near as possible the location of the fire, so that the proper signal may be speedily and properly given to the Department.

Nothing in this order however will operate to excuse members of the Fire Department from a faithful observance of their Company By-laws, relative to repairing to their several engines or apparatus and assisting to take the same to the scene of fire.

HIRAM S. WHITE, Chief Engineer,

BURLINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF THE CITY JUDGE.

Summary of fines and costs imposed by M. R. Tyler, Judge of the City Court, in cases where said fines and costs were adjudged payable to the City of Burlington.

April 7, 1873, to January 1, 1874.

71 Cases against 88 persons.

	Fines.	Costs
21 cases, fine and costs paid into Court and City Treasurer,	\$95 00	\$189 29
24 cases mittimus issued and delivered to officers for collection,	170 50	317 42
4 cases committed to jail,		37 88
4 cases appealed to County Court,	28 00	45 96
2 cases sentence suspended,		25 14
3 cases issue of mittimus suspended,	105 00	29 37
6 cases acquitted,		62 77
7 cases <i>nolle pros.</i> entered,		58 14

M. R. TYLER, *City Judge.*

NOTE.—By vote of the Board of Aldermen the names of the criminals, in the cases summarized above, are omitted from the published report, but are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

REPORT OF POLICE JUSTICE.

Summary of fines and costs imposed by JOHN B. HOLLENBECK, Justice of the Peace. The said fines and costs being payable to the City of Burlington.

Feb. 1, 1873, to Jan. 1, 1874.

*36 Cases.

	Fines.	Costs.
11 cases acquitted and discharged,		76 13
13 cases mittimus issued,	18 56	66 68
5 cases committed to jail,	1 00	26 24
4 cases <i>nolle pros.</i> entered		22 94
1 case fine paid to Court and by the Court to City Treasurer,	10 00	7 33
2 cases appealed to County Court,	6 00	15 47
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36	\$35 56	\$214 79

NOTE.—By vote of the Board of Aldermen the names of the criminals in the cases summarized above, are omitted from this publication, but are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

The Fletcher Free Library was founded on the 14th day of July, 1873, by Mrs. Mary L. Fletcher and Miss Mary M. Fletcher, who in a communication addressed to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Burlington, expressed "their desire to found a Library in and for the City, to be called

THE FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY,

on condition that the City provide a suitable library building and care for the same at the cost of the City; for which purpose, Mrs. Fletcher proposes to give ten thousand dollars for the purchase of useful books, and Miss Fletcher proposes to give ten thousand dollars as a fund, the income whereof to be used for the purchase of books for said Library." The Board of Aldermen at a meeting held July 14, 1873, appointed a Special Committee, consisting of his Honor the Mayor, the President of the Board, (Alderman Hatch), and Charles Russell, Esq., to present suitable resolutions of acknowledgement for the gift, and to report a plan of action in furtherance of said object. And on the 3d day of November 1873, the Committee reported that the building lately occupied as a Court-house, and now owned by the City, could be refitted, and thus provide a suitable place for the Library, until such time as a better building could be provided.

The report of the Committee was accepted, and the Committee on Public Buildings of the Board were instructed to put said building in condition to receive the Library, forthwith.

The Board of Aldermen then appointed Hon. Luther C. Dodge, the Mayor, President M. H. Buckham, of the University of

Vermont, Hon. E. J. Phelps, Rev. L. G. Ware and Samuel Huntington, Esq., a Committee to select and purchase the books for the Fletcher Free Library, so soon as the necessary repairs and fitting of the building were completed.

On the 2d February 1874, Mrs. and Miss Fletcher submitted the following as the conditions respecting said Library, which they were desirous of having adopted by the Board of Aldermen:

ARTICLES OF DONATION

FOR THE

Fletcher Free Library.

The undersigned having given to the City of Burlington the sum of ten thousand dollars, to be expended in the purchase of books for the establishment of a free library in said City, to be called the Fletcher Free Library, and likewise, the further sum of ten thousand dollars, to be invested as hereinafter provided, and the income appropriated to the increase of said Library, upon condition that the City of Burlington shall furnish and maintain at all times a suitable library building for the use of the Library, and pay the current expenses of the same for the use aforesaid, desire to add the following conditions:

1st. The Library shall be at all times under the management and control of five Trustees, hereinafter provided for, to be called Trustees of the Library, who shall appoint the Librarian, and fix his compensation at a sum, not exceeding \$800 per annum, except by consent of the City Council, make suitable regulations for the use and preservation of the Library, and have general charge of all its concerns, except so far as the same are hereinafter entrusted to the Trustees of the Library Fund.

2d. The said Trustees, shall be the following named persons: Matthew H. Buckham, L. G. Ware, E. J. Phelps and Samuel

Huntington, and likewise the Mayor of the city for the time being
ex officio.

Any vacancy occurring among said Trustees, other than the Mayor, by death, resignation or removal from the City, shall be filled by appointment in writing by the remaining Trustees, or a majority of them, of some person of competent literary acquirements, resident in the City of Burlington.

3d. The sum hereby given, whereof the annual income is appropriated to the increase of the Library, and all other funds hereafter given for the same purpose, unless otherwise provided by the donor thereof, shall be under the management and control of Trustees, to be called Trustees of the Library Fund, whose duty it shall be to keep said fund at all times invested at the best interest obtainable, consistent with the security of said Fund, and the punctual payment of the interest, and to pay over semi-annually to the Trustees of the Library, the income thereof for the *increase* of said Library.

Said Trustees shall be Charles Russell, Henry Loomis and Henry P. Hickok, and any vacancy occurring by death, resignation or removal from the City, shall be filled by the remaining Trustees by written appointment of some suitable person resident in Burlington.

4th. Said Library shall at all reasonable times and under proper regulations, be open to the public without charge.

MARY L. FLETCHER,
MARY M. FLETCHER.

The conditions proposed above were adopted by the Board of Aldermen, and the following resolutions adopted;

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE LIBRARY FUND
OF THE FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

CITY OF BURLINGTON,
In the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four. }

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

That the Trustees of the Library Fund consisting of Charles Russell, Henry Loomis, and Henry P. Hickok, be and they are

hereby authorized to receive the donation of ten thousand dollars of Miss Fletcher, intended for investment, the interest of which is to be used for the increase of the said Library, and receipt for the same in the name of the City.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

CITY OF BURLINGTON,

In the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four. }

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

That the trustees of the Fletcher Free Library, consisting of Matthew H. Buckham, L. G. Ware, E. J. Phelps, Sam'l Huntington and the Mayor of the city, be, and they are hereby, authorized to receive the donation of ten thousand dollars from Mrs. Fletcher, intended for immediate use in the purchase of books for the said Library, and receipt for the same in name of the city.

To this Library, the Young Men's Christian Association of Burlington have given the Library of their Asssociation, to be and form a part of the Fletcher Free Library, under the same rules and regulations which have been or may be adopted to govern it.

Also at a meeting of the Young Men's Association of the City of Burlington, held Feb. 7, 1874, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the books and book cases of this Association be deposited in the rooms and with the books of the Fletcher Free Library, to remain under the control and direction of the City Council of the city of Burlington as a free circulating library, except books of reference.

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Burlington, December 31, 1873. }

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

Your Treasurer submits the following statement :

BURLINGTON WATER BOND ACCOUNT		DR.
Total issued to date,	\$225,000 00	
By amount cancelled by sinking fund,	10,100 00	
Balance outstanding,	<u>\$214,900 00</u>	
CITY IMPROVEMENT BONDS.		
Total issue,		\$20,000 00
Sold prior to Dec. 31, 1873,	\$16,500	
Sold since Jan. 1, 1874,	3,500	<u> </u>
		\$20,000 00

. BILLS PAYABLE, LOANS.

RECEIPTS

From balance of late acct. Temporary loan Feb. 1, 1873,	\$6,500 00
“ balance of late acct. High School building loan	9,200 00
“ U. S. Deposit Fund loan, for school houses,	14,234 22
“ Temporary loans,	<u>50,500 00</u>
	\$80,434 22

DISBURSEMENTS.

To temporary loans,	\$34,500 00
To High School building loan,	<u>5,000 00</u>
	\$39,500 00

PRESENT INDEBTEDNESS.

Balance due on temporary loan,	\$22,500 00
“ “ “ H. S. building,	4,200 00
Due U. S. Deposit Fund loan,	<u>14,234 22</u>
	\$40,934 22

BURLINGTON CITY WATER WORKS CONSTRUCTION.

RECEIPTS.

From P. T. Sweet, Superintendent,	\$185 13	
“ T. S. Peck, for insurance on pump house,	262 34	
“ R. S. Wires, for insurance on gauge,	8 00	\$455 47
Bal. from last year unexpended,	\$3,233 70.	

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance from late account, Feb. 1. 1873,		\$221,766 30
“ John Collins, for trenching,	WAR. NO. 145	AMOUNT. 222 83
“ W. Zottman, Supt., for July statement,	158	367 31
“ R. D. Wood & Co. two hydrants,	146	90 00
“ W. Zottman, supt., Aug. statement,	164	167 33
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., repairs of pump house,	185	4,545 30
“ W. Zottman, supt. Sept. statement,	194	2,828 41
“ John Collins, trenching,	196	648 00
“ W. Zottman, supt. Oct. statement,	255	1,739 02
“ R. S. Wires, insurance on pump house,	312	3 50
“ Roby Brothers, repairing storm house,		31479 72
“ Pat. Water & Gas Pipe Co., on account for 1872,	307	1,900 00
“ Freight bills on pipe and cement,	306	245 41
“ W. Zottman, supt. Nov. statement,	296	438 69
		<hr/> 13,275 52
Total amount for 1873,	\$13,275 52	
Deduct credit,	3,689 17	
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Balance,	\$9,586 35	

\$235,041 82

BURLINGTON CITY WATER WORKS, CURRENT EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

From P. T. Sweet, supt., Feb. and March,	\$636 40
“ H. S. White, constable, on warrants 1871-2,	23 17
“ Transfers to other departments for water 1872-3,	1,545 00
“ Water rates collected for 1871,	4 00
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., iron pipe and old iron,	132 32
“ Water rates collected on 1872-3,	921 59
“ Transfers to other departments for water 1873-4,	1,549 16
“ Water rates collected on 1873-4, for 11 months,	13,154 12
“ W. Zottman, supt., collections for extra work,	267 81
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	\$18,233 57

Earnings of the water works for 11 months :

Collected,	\$14,703 28
Uncollected,	1,083 35
Monthly rates to June 1, 1874,	865 00

Total,	<hr/> \$16,651 63
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Equal to \$18,039 28 per annum.

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR. No.	AMOUNT.
To P. T. Sweet, Supt., February statement	1	\$100 00
“ S. & R. S. Wires, insurance on pumps and engine,	14	120 00
“ P. T. Sweet, supt., March statement,	30	237 33
“ J. H. Gates, for paid Flanders to examine pumps	7	5 00
“ D. C. Linsley, for 1 quarter pumping,	55	1,067 03
“ W. Zottman, supt., April statement,	69	244 58
“ J. A. Stone, part water tax refunded,	80	18 00
“ W. Zottman, supt., May statement,	86	768 97
“ Michael McMann, water tax refunded,	313	3 50
“ Henry Greene, galvanized pipe in 1872,	94	27 62
“ B. S. Nichols, bill of repairs in 1872-3,	313	60 94
“ W. Zottman, supt., June statement,	136	812 39
“ D. C. Linsley, 1 quarter pumping,	113	1,191 74

To B. S. Nichols & Co., repairs,	114	38 70
“ Dan. Flaherty, water tax refunded,	122	1 75
“ W. Zottman, supt., July statement,	211	553 60
“ “ “ Aug. “	163	184 27
“ F. W. Clossens, Treas, for linen hose,	180	210 00
“ S. K. Wells, coal bill for water office,	200	33 75
“ W. Zottman, supt., Sept. statement,	195	679 79
“ D. C. Linsley, 1 quarter pumping,	192	1,240 65
“ G. L. Linsley, coal bill for pump house,	263	1,415 21
“ W. Zottman, supt., October statement,	254	152 85
“ “ “ November “	276	386 40
“ “ “ December “	295	342 67
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		\$9,896 74
Amount transferred to credit of Water Bond int.		8,336 83
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		\$18,233 57

BURLINGTON CITY WATER BONDS INTEREST.

RECEIPTS.

From City Taxes transferred February 1, 1873,	\$9,635 54
“ Water works nett earnings for 1873, 11 months,	8,336 83
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	\$17,972 37

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance of late account, February 1, 1873,	\$9,635 54
“ Ninth National Bank, for inst. acct.,	6,447 00
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	\$16,082 54

CITY HALL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From H. S. White, Janitor Hall, Rents collected,	\$361 80
“ G. D. Weller, Treasurer “ “	655 25
“ G. M. Peterson, store rent,	258 33
“ H. S. White & Son, store rent,	250 01
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	1,525 39
From City Taxes of 1873 to balance,	465 39
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	\$1,990 78

DISBURSEMENTS.

To A. F. Alden, repairs in Police		
Office,	3	9 45
“ H. S. White, incidentals,	4	11 85
“ W. H. & F. H. Wilkins, wood,	13	5 50
“ Burlington Gas light Co.,	20	91 20
“ Wheelock & Griffin, repairs,	29	82 42
“ E. A. Smith, signs, treasurer and		
assessors,	33	11 20
“ Kilburn & Gates, wood,	42	3 50
“ Burlington Water Works, water for		
Offices 1872-3,	305	36 00
“ Kilburn & Gates, wood,	64	1 75
“ Burlington Gas light Co.,	96	94 05
“ Nash & Wardlow, repairs,	91	1 90
“ Roby & Brothers, “	98	59 54
“ G. D. Weller, paid repairs and		
cleaning,	154	51 97
“ Burlington Gas light Co.,	168	71 25
“ Allen & Stone, Furniture,	182	35 48
“ S. K. Wells, coal bill,	200	198 55
“ S. H. Russell, painting court room,	196	43 57
“ Vt. Mutual Insurance Co.,	312	38 75

To	E. Johnson, repairs in court room,	216	53 91
"	T. W. Fisher & Co., paper in court room,	215	9 92
"	Wheelock & Griffin, repairs,	130	11 23
"	G. W. Hindes, insurance,	243	93 75
"	A. S. Crooker, setting furnace,	241	31 00
"	Stone & Perrault, repairs court room,	247	16 21
"	W. H. & F. H. Wilkins, wood,	240	5 50
"	Wheelock & Griffin, furnace,	242	242 15
"	C. Blodgett Son & Co., boards for court room,	231	40 03
"	A. G. Strong, hardware, court room	227	4 85
"	Burlington Gas light Co.,	272	59 42
"	Shepard, Davis & Co., boards read- ing rooms	258	49 25
"	White & Son, incidentals,	228	13 52
"	Tatro & Nantell, furniture,	300	27 50
"	Janitor, current expenses,	299	20 77
"	H. J. Nelson, chairs &c., hall,	31	86 50
"	B. E. Wells, national flag,	124	50 00
"	E. Johnson, table for aldermen,	230	40 00
"	H. S. White, janitor,	303	92 34
"	Burlington Water Works, water 1873-4,	303	33 00
"	Gottlieb Black, janitor,	305	162 00

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CITY REAL ESTATE.

RECEIPTS.

From W. Fitzgerald on sale of school house,	454 65
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DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR. NO.	AMOUNT.
To Balance from late account, Feb. 1st	18	18,181 90
“ Edward Murray, repairs on house at Falls,	67	63 60
“ Amount transferred to Cr. fire department for Clipper hose house and land at falls,		995 55
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CITY MARKET.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account Feb. 1, 1873,	289 81	
“ C. W. Drew, superintendent rents collected,	26 18	
“ C. W. Drew, superintendent rent scales collected,	192 10	
“ G. D. Weller, Treasurer, rent collected,	495 21	1,003 30

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR. NO.	AMOUNT.
To C. W. Drew, superintendent care of market,	6	79 00
“ C. W. Drew, “ “ “ market,	32	99 00
“ Burlington Gas light Co.,	22	73 15
“ Burlington Water Works, 1872-3,	305	50 00
“ Burlington Gas light Co.,	52	15 67
“ C. W. Drew, Superintendent care of market,	294	26 00

To Vt. Mutual Insurance Co.,	312	12 00	
“ Burlington Water Works, 1873-4,	305	45 83	400 65
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“ Amount transferred to incidental account,			602 65
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			1,003 30

CITY TAXES, 1872.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Feb. 1, 1873,	\$22.261 26
“ H. S. White, Constable, for collections,	1.142 31
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	\$23.403 57

DISBURSEMENTS.

To paid Water Bond interest account, 1873,	9.635 54
“ balance to City Taxes, for 1873,	13.768 03
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	\$23.403 57

CITY TAXES, 1873.

RECEIPTS.

From City taxes collected to Dec. 31, 1873,	\$44.494 43
“ “ “ 5 per cent,	70 11
“ Collections on taxes of 1871,	422 64
“ balance of City taxes of 1872,	13.768 03
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	\$58.755 21

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR. NO.	AMOUNT.
To G. H. Ellery, poll tax refunded,	176	3 40
“ H. H. Drew, dog “ “	175	1 70
“ Bill of taxes for errors in list,	184	57 82
“ Sinking fund appropriations,		4.615 03
“ J. B. Thomas, dog tax refunded,	206	1 70
“ Edward Sheridan, tax “	213	4 20
“ J. W. Madigan, “ “	225	3 40
“ Emily Warner, “ “	199	8 67
“ John Kelley, “ “	236	3 00
“ Edward Willis, “ “	248	4 20
“ Thos. Wing, “ “	268	4 20
“ Furness & Bingham, dog tax refunded,	265	3 40
“ J. S. Halbert, tax refunded,	286	17 00
“ High School building appropriation,		5.000 00
“ Poor Department “		5.500 00
“ Street Light Department, appropriation,		2.500 00
“ Highways & land damages, Union st. appropriation,		2.614 50
“ Criminal Department,		2.000 00
“ Fire Department,		3.000 00
“ Amount transferred to Cr. of City Hall department,		465 39
“ “ “ “ Incidental,		4.328 70
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		\$30.136 31

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Feb. 1, 1873,	\$188 00
“ Interest on Water-Bond,	3 00
“ Dan Lyon, Commissioner for sales of burial lots in Lake View Cemetery,	1.241 22
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	\$1.432 22

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Burlington Water-Works for water from July 1, 1872, to July 1, 1873.	305	\$100 00
“ Dan Lyon, Com'r. interest on Water-Bond receipt,		6 00
“ H. H. Doolittle, Com'r. on account Locust Street Cemetery, receipt,		50.00
“ H. H. Doolittle, Com'r on account Locust Street Cemetery, receipt,		200 60
“ Dan Lyon, Com'r., on account Lake View Cemetery,		1.241 22
“ Burlington Water-Works, from July 1, 1873 to June 1, 1874,	war. 305	91 67
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		\$1.688 89

CRIMINAL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From M. R. Tyler, judge of city court, fines and costs,	\$257 14
“ J. B. Hollenbeck, justice, “ “ “	17 33
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, for mittimusses,	127 77
“ H. S. White, constable, “ “	83 67
“ Charles Bettis policeman, “ “	35 71
“ F. S. Francis, “ “ “	23 72
“ Henry Halo, “ “ “	8 21
“ L. C. Bliss, “ “ “	5 50
“ Oliver Lamora, “ “ “	34 96
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	\$594 01
“ Appropriation from city taxes,	2,000 00
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	\$2,594 01

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR. No.	AMOUNT.
To George Willett, for police clubs,	2	\$10 40
“ L. A. Drew, sheriff, for jail account,	17	335 00
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	21	14 01
“ Burlington Water Works, water for police office,	305	9 00
“ J. B. Hollenbeck, justice costs,	59	45 23
“ H. H. Langdon, medical services for prisoners in jail,	78	20 00
“ C. Noyes, judge costs in city court,	66	18 14
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, 1 qr. to April,	83	658 87
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	97	18 18
“ M. R. Tyler, judge costs in city court,	128	281 07
“ J. B. Hollenbeck, justice costs,	162	72 67
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	169	14 73
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, 1 qr. to July 1,	177	542 00
“ S. K. Wells, coal bill,	200	55 60
“ M. R. Tyler, judge costs in city court,	209	346 99
“ Mark Thompson, printing,	221	8 00
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, 1 qr. Oct 1, day police,	212	633 00
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, 1 qr. Oct. 1, night police,	223	486 00
“ R. B. Stearns & Co., medicine for prisoners in jail,	218	1 33
“ H. H. Langdon, medical services for prisoners in jail,	238	42 00
“ E. W. Burritt, medicine for prisoners in jail,	267	9 30
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	278	32 40
“ J. B. Hollenbeck, justice costs,	288	43 79
“ R. B. Stearns & Co., medicine for prisoners,	77	3 50
“ Burlington Water Works, for water to June 1, 1874,	305	8 25
		<hr/> \$3,712 46

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From appropriation,	\$3,000 00
“ amount transferred to city real estate for Clipper hose house at Falls,	995 55
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	3,995 55

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR. NO.	AMOUNT.
To E. Johnson, for lock Hook Ladder Co.		
No. 1,	15	19 00
“ H. S. White, Treas. Boxer Co. No. 3,	36	76 00
“ G. F. Morse, ringing fire alarms,	35	5 00
“ C. L. Nelson, chief engineer examining hydrants,	34	16 00
“ W. H. Drew, Treas. Star Hose Co.,	41	19 75
“ Burlington Water Works, water from July 1 1872, to July 1 1873,	305	1,045 00
“ Merchants National Bank, rent of halls,	50	50 00
“ W. E. Weller, Treas. Ethan Allen Co. No. 4,	58	50 00
“ L. Button & Son, nozzles Clipper Hose Co.	108	7 35
“ O. F. Bostwick, foreman Boxer Co. No. 3,	118	90 08
“ C. W. Drew, Treas. Howard Hose Co.,	119	45 75
“ W. H. Drew, Treas. Star Hose Co.,	120	18 85
“ John Murdock, Foreman Clipper Hose Co.,	112	40 00
“ G. F. Morse, ringing fire alarm,	140	9 00
“ J. F. Dowsing, “ “ “	141	12 00
“ L. B. Platt, land to Clipper Hose Co.,	123	150 00

To Merchants Nat. Bank, rent of halls,	109	50 00
“ McGaffey & Urquhart, ladder straps,	139	3 00
“ H. S. White, Treas. Boxer Co. No. 3,	103	6 62
“ F. W. Clossens, Treas. 500 feet hose for Barnes Hose Co.,	149	397 50
“ Smith & Bagley, repairs Hook & Ladder Truck,	174	90 80
“ W. E. Weller, Treas. Ethan Allen Co. No. 4,	186	80 00
“ O. F. Bostwick, Foreman Boxer Co. No. 3,	190	58 96
“ Merchants Nat. Bank, rent of halls,	189	50 00
“ Reed & Johnson, building house for Clipper Hose Co.,	188	835 50
“ C. H. Clark, Sec’y St. Mary’s Band	207	35 00
“ W. H. Drew, Treas. Star Hose Co.,	187	30 00
“ Roby Bro’s, repairs Boxer Co. No. 3,	208	7 25
“ Smith & Bagley, repairs Fire Dept.	191	9 50
“ John W. Kelly, rent Barnes Hose Company	252	67 65
“ S. G. Colwell, Treas, 12 hose straps,	214	15 00
“ W. A. Tyler & Co., stove for Barnes Hose Co.,	250	29 98
“ Reed & Johnson, work on house Clip- per Hose Co.,	251	10 05
“ John Murdock, Foreman Clipper Hose Co.,	235	10 00
“ T. W. Fisher & Co, goods to Barnes Hose Co.,	226	15 82
“ L. Button & Son, Hose cart Barnes Hose Co..	259	319 60
“ Allen Bigwood & Co., stove Clipper Hose Co.,	249	14 10
“ J. F. Dowsing, ringing fire alarms,	269	8 00
“ G. F. Morse, “ “ “	270	7 00

To Nash & Wardlow, hose bibb Clipper Hose Co.,	264	4 00
“ Ripley & Holton, pulleys & rope Boxer Co. No 3,	210	13 44
“ Burlington Water Works, water from July 1 1873, to June 1 1874, 11 months,	305	1,090 83
“ W. H. Root, expenses to Water- ford, \$20 and freight bill \$10, Barnes Hose Cart,	301	30 00
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		\$4,943 33

GREEN MT. CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance from late account,	\$109 25
“ R. S. Taft, attorney fees, Edgecumb vs. City and Walker vs. City,	172 10
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	\$281 35

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

RECEIPTS.

From appropriation,	\$5,000 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance from late account, Feb. 1 1873,	11,304 39
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HIGHWAYS, LAND DAMAGE, LAND ASSESSMENTS.

RECEIPTS.

From Howard street, assessment collected,	\$562 67
“ appropriation for Union street extended,	2,614 50
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	\$3,177 17

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	AMOUNT
To C. & C. H. Blodgett, land damages Union st.	106	\$2,467 00
“ John Hyde	125	97 50
“ Charles Haynes,	127	50 00
“ Warren Thayer,	Howard st. 142	500 00
“ H. S. White,	144	166 67
“ Lawrence Baines,	143	155 00
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		\$3,436 17

INTEREST DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From sales of Water Bonds to adjust water construction account,	\$676 22
“ Amount to Green Mt. Cemetery Association,	16 10
Bank account on deposit,	215 39
“ Amount transferred to Liquor Agency,	1,751 66
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	\$2,659 37

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance from late account, Feb. 1, 1873,	\$1,188 91
“ High School Building Loan,	309 291 01
“ Temporary Loans,	309 1,179 45
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	\$2,659 37

INTEREST AND DISCOUNT ON CITY IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

RECEIPTS.

From accrued interest on Bonds sold,	\$242 50
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To discount on \$16,500 of Bonds sold,	\$1,187 50
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INCIDENTAL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Feb. 1, 1873,	\$122 51
“ charged to Green Mt. Cemetery Association,	156 00
“ Sales of Park fence,	16 50
“ Amount transferred to city market,	602 65
“ “ “ “ city taxes, 1873,	4,328 70
“ “ “ “ license dep’t,	550 83
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	\$5 777 19

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR. No.	AMOUNT
To F. H. Parker, registration births and deaths,	5	35 75
R. S. Taft, city attorney fees,	10	286 86
R. S. Styles, printing reports,	19	434 94
E. R. Hard, attorney fees,	11	78 00
William Scott, for binding,	23	41 80
H. H. Langdon, health officer,	27	50 00
Wheelock & Griffin, gas fitting,	39	5 62
Cosgriff & Townsend, putting up stoves,	24	3 05
Burlington Democrat, advertising,	26	2 00
Free Press Association, printing and advertising,	40	149 00
William Scott, for binding,	49	68 16
P. D. Ballou & Co., for stationery,	51	5 00
W. H. Root, clerk, records &c.,	34	30 00
Mark Thompson, printing,	53	10 00
S. Huntington, stationery,	60	34 27
H. H. Langdon, health officer,	61	25 00
R. S. Styles, printing,	62	41 45
Mark Thompson, for printing,	63	24 40
R. S. Taft, attorney fees,	70	32 14
P. D. Ballou, stationery,	82	18 58
S. M. Pope, auditor,	75	15 00
Decoration Committee,	89	150 00
S. M. Pope, assessor,	115	208 00

To F. J. Hendee, "	116	152 00
W. H. Root, clerk, office expenses,	131	20 70
Noah Allen, judgment to city,	135	78 59
George Hudson, for watering park,	133	3 00
Celebration Ethan Allen statue,	137	500 00
A. W. Allen, assessor,	157	188 00
Mark Thompson, printing,	156	7 50
R. S. Styles, for printing,	155	15 80
C. F. Clark, repairing chairs,	152	4 50
A. P. Grinnell, health officer,	161	40 00
E. Johnson, for work on music stand,	170	174 76
S. H. Russell " "	171	48 15
G. S. Blodgett & Co., work on music stand,	172	71 54
A. J. Hathaway, moving music stand to battery,	173	20 00
Hatch Lithographic Co., for Improvement bonds,	181	70 00
W. Scott, for binding, &c.,	183	46 60
W. W. Atwater, advertising,	166	6 50
Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, see resolution of March 24, 1873,		38 40
Free Press Association, printing and advertising,	205	44 00
S. Huntington & Co., stationery,	201	70 68
W. H. Mead & Co., ice,	217	8 00
L. C. Dodge, for care of city parks,	219	30 80
A. N. Merchant, for advertising,	220	65 25
Crane & Stacy, carriages for Washington Conti- nental, -	246	36 00
A. P. Grinnell, health officer,	239	36 75
R. S. Styles, printing,	237	23 37
H. L. Moore, assisting assessors,	234	48 00
W. H. Root, clerk, office expenses,	262	10 70
L. B. Englesby, auditor and attorney fees,	266	30 00
H. M. Mitchell, umbrella stands,	257	6 00
City Treasurer, office expenses,	298	24 58
Old Court House cleaning,	302	6 22
C. F. Ward, auditor,	76	15 00
Free Press Association, advertising,	107	36 75

To L. C. Dodge, mayor, on salary,	303	450 00
W. H. Root, clerk, “	303	683 33
G. D. Weller, treasurer,	303	916 67
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		\$5,777 19

LIQUOR AGENCY.

RECEIPTS.

From M. W. Hosmer, Agent,	\$6.460 47
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To J. A. Webb, alcohol,	16	77 83
“ I. D. Richards & Sons, liquors,	37	168 08
“ J. A. Webb, alcohol,	48	76 82
“ Erwin & McKelsey, liquors,	74	151 20
“ Wells Richardson & Co., alcohol,	101	85 10
“ J. A. Webb, “	104	154 72
“ Carr & Blanchard, liquors,	71 & 72	397 65
“ S. J. Loop, “	73	38 25
“ Davis Clark & Co.,	105	254 75
“ I. D. Richards & Sons, “	84 & 134	335 18
“ Paris, Allen & Co., “	111	131 15
“ Carr & Blanchard, “	159	15 00
“ S. J. Loop, “	160	98 07
“ Erwin & McKelsey, “	178	293 21
“ S. K. Wells, coal bill,	200	20 25
“ J. A. Webb, alcohol,	203	180 62
“ Carr & Blanchard, liquors,	202	136 25
“ S. & R. S. Wires, insurance,	245	25 00
“ Erwin & McKelsey, liquors,	273	141 04
“ S. E. Pecker & Co. “	274	120 25
“ J. A. Webb, alcohol,	279	329 97
“ M. W. Hosmer, Agent, (salary),	303	700 00
“ Amount transferred to Cr. of interest acc't.		1.751 66
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		\$5.682 05

LICENSE DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Feb. 1, 1873.	\$375 50
“ Carriage licenses,	60 00
“ Circus “	50 00
“ Hotel “	15 00
“ Eating Saloons, “	50 33
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	\$550 83

DISBURSEMENTS.

To amount transferred to Cr. of Incidental acc't.	\$550 83
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MINISTERIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account Feb. 1 1873,	\$29 63
“ collections on lease lands,	38 25
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	67 88

DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. Barlow, Treas. 1st Cong'l Society,	24 94
“ J, W. Hickok, Treas. 1st Cal. Cong'l Society,	24 94
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	49 88

NINTH NATIONAL BANK, N. Y.

RECEIPTS.

From amount in Coupons & Drafts,	\$6,447 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To cash for interest on bonds,	13,447 00
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POOR DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From appropriation, \$5,500 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR. NO.	AMOUNTS.
To G. D. Weller, overseer poor, 1		
quarter,	65	980 89
" Mrs. T. Lonergan for boarding Ruther-		
ford,	90	6 62
" E. A. Tousley, care of Hoose,	100	10 00
" Harriett Garrow, Guar. for cash de-		
posited in 1870,	117	119 25
" A. B. Lowry, overseer of poor 1		
quarter,	138	1,150 00
" A. B. Lowry, " " " for		
Asylum for the Insane,	165	588 36
" A. B. Lowry, overseer of poor 1 Qr.	256	1,600 00
" " " " 2 months,	297	814 37
" " " " on salary,	303	200 00
" Vt. Mutual Insurance Co. for Ins.,	312	9 75
		\$5,479 24

SCHOOL HOUSE, NORTH STREET, CONSTRUCTION.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To A. W. Allen, for land purchase on North st.		
for school purposes,	war. 8	\$2.045 11
School Commissioner's Warrants drawn for		
building purposes,		2.938 91
		\$4.984 02

SCHOOL HOUSE, UNION STREET, CONSTRUCTION.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Frances L. Austin for land purchased on Union		
street for school purposes	war. 25	\$3.000 00
School Commissioners Warrants drawn for		
building purposes,		9.745 95
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		12.745 95

There was borrowed of the Trustee of the United States Deposit Fund, the sum of \$14,234 22, on a Resolution adopted in City meeting, May 19, 1873, for the purpose of building new School Houses, which has been drawn from by School Commissioners as above.

Received on sale of school house on Champlain street, \$454 65

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From School Commissioners,	\$11.000 00
“ Clerk of School Board,	47 00
“ Rents collected 1873,	65 70
“ Interest on U. S. Bonds,	39 33
“ Collections on School Taxes,	22.248 35
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	\$33.400 38

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Teachers' Pay Rolls, No. 1 to 8 inclusive on		
warrants,		\$14.767 81
Burlington Savings Bank on warrant,		11.299 33
40 warrants drawn by School Commissioners,		4.875 36
Taxes refunded, Mayor's warrant,	184	28 91
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		\$30.971 41

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Feb. 1, 1873,	\$1,323 92
assessments collected on Church street,	208 95
“ “ “ St. Paul “	195 83
“ “ “ College “	42 77
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	\$1,771 47

DISBURSEMENTS.

To W. G. Shaw, attorney fees,	war. 12	47 50
S. Beach, assessment on St. Paul st. refunded “	38	23 50
D. C. Linsley, supt., for construction of sewers,		8,113 30
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		\$8,184 30

SINKING FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Feb. 1, 1873,	\$1,456 82
Water Bonds purchased and cancelled prior to	
Jan. 31, 1872, see bill payable,	10,100 00
Interest on water bonds,	97 50
Ten per cent appropriation city taxes,	4,615 03
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	\$16,269 35

DISBURSEMENTS.

To paid for \$250 00 in water bonds at 92½ per cent,	233 33
paid for \$6,500 in Improvement bonds at 92½ per cent,	6,110 00
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	\$6,343 33

NOTE.—There is \$9,750 00 of above fund invested in water and improvement bonds.

SOUTH BURLINGTON.

DISBURSEMENTS

To John E. Smith, treas. South Burlington, interest	
on U. S. D. fund,	war. 309
	23 27

STREET DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, February 1, 1873,	\$546 01
“ Collections of Highway Tax, 1872,	115 54
“ Collections of Highway Tax, 1873,	8.948 56
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	\$9.610 11

DISBURSEMENTS.

	NO.	AMOUNT.
To Committee on Streets, Pay Roll,	No. 1	84 83
Street Commissioners,	war. 9	3 04
Burlington Water Works to July 1, 1873	“ 305	305 00
Committee on Streets, Pay Roll,	No. 2	150 02
Town of Colchester, snowing bridge,	war. 43	4 00
Committee on Streets, Pay Roll,	No. 3	176 75
“ “ “	“ 4	75 59
N. B. Flanagan, work on road and bridge,	war. 85	14 50
Shepard, Davis & Co., for lumber 1872,	“ 88	2 50
A. J. Howard, Clerk, copies for Union st.	“ 93	2 50
G. W. Killam, for damage to person,	“ 79	150 00
S. A. Brownell, “ “	“ 87	50 00
W. S. Mayo & Co., grade stakes,	“ 110	10 00
Winooski Lumber Co., for lumber,	“ 102	16 46
E. J. Bunker for damages by water,	“ 132	11 95
J. McGinnis “ “	“ 92	6 00
V. G. Barbour, for surveys,	“ 129	43 75
F. M. Van Sicklen, for keeping horses,	“ 153	52 71
C. W. Lippett, for bill of feed,	“ 81	5 80
V. G. Barbour, for Maps and Surveys,	“ 151	82 00
Highway taxes refunded,	“ 184	11 57
Vt. Mutual Insurance Co, insu. of bridges,	“ 312	12 76
Milo L. Williams, damages to horse,	“ 224	25 00
V. G. Barbour, for surveys,	“ 198	106 33
“ “ maps,	“ 233	36 00
N. B. Proctor, for work removing snow,	“ 197	8 00

To Walker Bros., for stone chips,	" 232	59 25
J. S. Appleton, horse hire,	" 244	3 50
Burlington Water Works, water to June 1, 1874,	305	279 58
D. C. Linsley, Supt., construction of street,		870 47
" " improvement "		7,422 82
" " general repairs, "		7,344 55
" " tools, stock, crushing machine and buildings,		8 716 11
D. C. Linsley Supt., Repairs Heineberg and Winooski bridges,		932 75
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		\$27,076 09

STREET LIGHT DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation from City Taxes,	\$2,500 00
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DISBURSMENTS.

	WAR	AMOUNT.
To Burlington Gas light Co.,	18	190 13
" F. W. Dole, lighting lamps,	273	49 50
" Wheelock and Griffin, repairs,	28	8 23
" Townsend & Hill, "	47	14 44
" M. W. Hosmer, city agent alcohol,	57	2 25
" Alex Tatro, lighting lamps,	56	31 00
" Smith & Bagley, repairs,	45	2 00
" Burlington Gas light Co.,	95	405 45
Drew & Perry, for lighting lamps	89	32 00
" Brink & Co., for 3 lamp posts,	121	60 00
" Drew & Perry, 1 Quarter for lighting lamps,	148	150 00
" Burlington Gas light Co.,	167	399 49
" C. E. Adams, for lamp frames & globes,	147	52 11
" Brink & Co., lamp post & iron work in park,	180	32 00
" W. A. Tyler & Co., for repairs on lamps,	46	58 90
" H. Burnett, for glass,	44	9 13
" Drew & Perry, 1 quarter lighting lamps,	253	150 00
" Brink & Co., 3 lamp posts,	260	60 00
" Burlington Gas light Co.,	271	670 83
" Burlington Gas light Co., putting up and moving posts,	261	47 59
" H. S. White & Son, oil and wicks,	229	3 45
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		\$2,423 50

BALANCE SHEET.

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	DISBURSEMENTS.	RECEIPTS.	DR. BALANCE.	CR. BALANCE.
Bills Payable, Water Bonds,	\$10,100 00	\$225,000 00		\$214,900 00
Bills Payable, Loans,	39,500 00	80,434 22		40,934 22
Bills Payable, Improvement Bonds,		16,500 00		16,500 00
Burlington Water Works, construction,	235,041 82	455 47	234,586 35	
Burlington Water Works, current,	18,233 57	18,233 57		
Burlington Water Bonds, interest,	16,082 54	17,972 37		
City Hall Department,	1,990 78	1,990 78		
City Real Estate,	19,241 05	454 65	18,786 40	1,889 83
City Market,	1,003 30	1,003 30		
City Taxes, 1872,	23,403 57	23,403 57		
City Taxes, 1873,	30,136 51	58,755 21		
Cemeteries,	1,688 89	1,432 22	256 67	28,618 90
Criminal Department,	3,712 46	2,594 01	1,118 45	
Fire Department,	4,943 38	3,935 55	947 83	
Green Mt. Cemetery Association,	281 35		281 35	
High School Building,	11,304 39	5,000 00	6,304 39	
Incidental Department,	5,777 19	5,777 19		
Interest Department,	2,659 37	2,659 37		
Interest & Discount on Improvement bonds,	1,187 50	242 50	945 00	
Highways, land damages and assessments,	3,436 17	3,177 17	259 00	
License Department,	550 83	550 83		
Liquor Agency,	5,682 05	6,460 47		778 42
Ninth National Bank,	13,447 00	6,447 00	7,000 00	

Ministerial Fund,
 Poor Department,
 School House, North Street, Construction,
 School House, Union Street, Construction,
 School Department,
 Sewer Department,
 Sinking Fund Department,
 Street Department,
 Street Light Department,
 South Burlington,

49 88	67 88	18 00
5,479 24	5,500 00	20 76
4,984 02		
12,745 95		
30,971 41	33,400 38	2,428 97
8,184 30	1,771 47	
6,343 33	16,269 35	9,926 02
27,076 09	9,610 11	
2,423 50	2,500 00	76 50
23 27	23 27	
<u>\$547,684 51</u>	<u>\$312,117 49</u>	
3,974 13	3,974 13	
<u>\$551,658 64</u>	<u>\$316,091 62</u>	<u>\$316,091 62</u>

Cash Balance.

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Burlington, December 31, 1873.

G. D. WELLER, City Treasurer.

We have examined the above statement of the Treasurer, together with the vouchers for the items of each department, and find the same correct.

January 26, 1874.

C. F. WARD, }
 S. M. POPE, } Auditors.

REPORT OF CITY AUDITORS.

CITY TREASURY.

Your Auditors respectfully report :

They have examined the Treasurer's books and accounts and find his statement correct, with vouchers for the items.

It will appear from the Treasurer's balance sheet, which is submitted herewith, that the City has, in addition to its bonded debt as reported, a floating debt at the Treasurer's Office, of \$40,934 22
Add assumed claims outstanding against Water

Department as reported, say,	7 000 00
Total,	<u>\$47.934 22</u>
Of this indebtedness, the following items were authorized by the City :	
Borrowed of U. S. Deposit Fund,	\$14.234 22
Balance of High School Building Loan,	4.200 00
	<u>\$18.434 22</u>
Illegal and unauthorized claims, out-standing	29.500 00
Of this amount, there is due Bank Loans,	22.500 00
Assumed Water debt, as reported,	7.000 00
	<u>\$29.500 00</u>

We have ascertained the outstanding claims
against the Water Department are

\$7.256 45

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

From the balance sheet of the Treasurer, and the authority of the City in meeting assembled, we find the construction account as follows:

Paid for land North street school house,	\$2.045 11
Warrants for building on above,	2.938 91
Paid for land on Union street,	3.000 00
School Commissioners' Warrants for building,	9.745 95
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Total disbursements,	\$17.729 97

THIS ACCOUNT HAS CREDIT

Borrowed from U. S. Deposit Fund,	\$14.234 22
Collected on sale of house, Champlain street,	454 65
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	\$14.688 87
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Leaving an apparent deficit in the account of	3.041 10
There was paid for land previous to the City meeting,	5.045 11
Deduct therefrom the apparent deficit,	3.041 10
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Would leave to credit of building fund, which we think the account should show	\$2.004 01

CURRENT EXPENSES.

There has been received from the City Treasurer, proceeds of tax, 1873,	\$22.248 35
Interest and rent,	152.03
Temporary Loan,	11.000 00
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And paid out,		\$33.400 38
Paid Commissioners' Warrants, pay-rolls,	14.767 81	
" Temporary Loans,	11.299 33	
" Expenses,	4,875 36	
" Taxes refunded,	28 91	
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		30.971 41
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Balance to credit of current expenses,		2.428 97

WATER WORKS.

There has been received, water-rates collected,	\$15.007 09
Charged different departments for use of water,	3.094 16
Cash for old iron,	132 32
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	\$18,233 57

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Repairs and laying lateral pipes,	4.882 11
Pumping 12 months,	4.683 96
Coal for next quarter,	1.415 21
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	\$10.981 28
Credited Water-Bond account,	8.336 83
Interest on the Water debt as it now stands, is	
per annum,	13.500 00
Leaving a deficit of cash to be made up from	
taxation of	\$9.341 87

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

There has been disbursed since May 1, 1873 on	
account of construction,	\$11.375 52
Paid debts of 1872,	1.900 00
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	\$13.275 52

There is reported by the Superintendent an expenditure in addition to above of	7.256 45
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	20.531 97
The above account has credit Feb. 1, 1873,	3.233 70
For Insurance on Pump-house,	455.47
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	\$3.689 17
The Pump-house cost,	\$4 545 30

We can find no authority for this expenditure, particularly for all that is in excess of the \$3.689 17, which sum was to credit of this fund, February 1, 1873.

We base our opinion upon the 24th section of the Charter, which says :

“The money raised by taxation, from fines and from other lawful sources, shall constitute the *entire* sum from which appropriations and payments are to be made according to law, by or under the authority of the City Council.”

The authority to pledge the credit of the City by temporary loans, not exceeding fifty cents on the dollar of the grand-list of the city for the time being, is in our judgment, from a reasonable construction of said Section, anticipatory only, and the sum borrowed should be paid out of the taxes when collected, and the Board has no right to exceed the amount of taxes, and miscellaneous sources of supply.

Such we are informed was the intention of those who drew the charter, and we think they succeeded in expressing it.

CRIMINAL DEPARTMENT.

There has been disbursed in this department :

Police services, 9 mos.	\$2.319 87
City Court,	628 06
Justice Court,	164 71
Jail account, prisoners board,	335 00
Medical attendance,	264 82
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	3.712 46
Amount received from fines and costs,	594 01
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	\$3.118,45

In addition to the above, there is outstanding, a bill for which a warrant has been drawn to L. A. Drew,

To Judge Tyler,	632 00
	137 88
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	\$3.888 33

There is also an account reported for prisoner's board,

389 75

We submit to your honorable Board, that the above is a large and disproportionate tax upon the Treasury, which ought to be carefully investigated, with a view to its being curtailed.

C. F. WARD,	} <i>Auditors</i>
L. B. ENGBESBY,	
S. M. POPE,	

ACCOUNT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Your Auditors respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Superintendent of Streets, and find them well and accurately kept, and all his expenditures properly vouched. He has received as follows :

From City Treasurer, Mayor's Warrant,	\$33.400 00
“ other sources,	294 34
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Total,	\$33.694 34
And has expended	33.628 59
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Balance in his hands,	\$65 75

A detailed statement of the account with the vouchers, is returned herewith.

The Superintendent's Report as submitted to us will show in detail, the distribution of the amount expended by him.

There has been placed to the account of Streets and Highways on the Treasurer's books, as follows :

Feb. 1, 1873. Balance on hand,	\$546 01
Collected on tax of 1872,	115 54
“ “ 1873,	8.948 56
Estimated amount to be collected on tax, collection of which was extended to March 1, 1874,	258 00
Nett proceeds of \$15.000 Improvement bonds,	13.875 00
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Total,	\$23.743 11

There has been paid Street Commissioner's

pay-rolls, from Feb. 1, to May 1, 1873,	\$486 69
Mayor's Warrants,	718 12
City Water Works. Mayor's warrants,	584 58
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	\$1.789 39
Balance to streets and highways, May 1, 1873,	21.953 72

SEWER ACCOUNT.

Feb. 1, 1873, Balance on hand,	\$1.323 92
Assessments collected,	447 55
Nett proceeds of \$5000 bonds,	4.625 00

\$6.396 47

Paid Mayor's Warrants,	71 00
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Balance May 1, 1873,	\$6.325 47
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Total for Streets and Sewers,

\$28.279 19

We think by a fair construction of the Resolution authorizing the City to borrow \$15.000 to be expended in improvements on streets and side-walks, and \$5.000 for the purpose of building sewers, this account is entitled to the full amount, and that there should be added to it for discount on the bonds,

\$1.500 00

Total, with this addition, to Cr. of highways and sewers,

\$29.779 19

Amount of expenditures,	\$33.628 59
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Resources,	29.779 19
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Excess over appropriation,	\$3.849 40
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C. F. WARD,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
L. B. ENGLSBY,	
S. M. POPE,	

BURLINGTON.

The City of Burlington was incorporated in 1865, with a population of about 6,953. The census of 1870 revealed a population of 14,387, showing a gain in five years of *over one hundred per cent*. The present population of the City is *estimated* at between 17,000 and 18,000, and the evidences are palpable that the City is still increasing in population and wealth.

During the past year, through the liberality of Mrs. Mary L. Fletcher and Miss Mary M. Fletcher, the foundation of a Free Library has been laid, and during the coming season will be opened to the public, and will add *one more* to the many attractions of Burlington as a place of residence and business. The University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, the Medical Department of the University, the admirable school of Prof. Pollens for young ladies, with excellent and thorough system of Public Schools, now offer unusual attractions to the students of either sex, and are all in a flourishing condition.

The vital statistics of the City are shown, for the last three years, to be as follows :

	1871.	1872.	1873.
Births,	329	350	311
Deaths,	146	157	227
Marriages,	95	91	104

The assessed valuation of the City, as established by the Legislature of the State of Vermont, is 51 *per cent* of assessors' valuation

\$5,688,865 00

51 *per cent* of which amount is
Add for improvement since 1870,

\$2,901,321 15
220,342 25

REAL ESTATE.—Assessed value	\$3,121,663 40
PERSONAL ESTATE.—Assessed value,	1,074,218 70

\$4,195,882 10

One per cent of which, for taxation, is	\$41,958 82
Add 1,918 polls at \$2 (less 183 exempt,)	3,470 00
Add 248 dogs at \$1 00,	248 00

* Grand List (1873) for taxation is \$45,676 82

RATE OF TAXATION FOR 1873.

State tax 35 cents, County 00, † City 1.70.

The Bonded debt of the City is as follows:

‡ For construction of Water Works,	\$225,000 00
‡ For City improvements (streets and sewers)	20,000 00

Total \$245,000 00

Floating debt, about 22,500 00

Net debt, exclusive of U. S. Deposit Fund, \$267,500 00

Of the Bonded debt, the sinking fund has already

redeemed \$10,100 00

and holds in *addition, of the Bonds* above

named, 9,750 00

Making in all \$19,850 00

Net debt, \$247,650 00

The following page shows a carefully prepared valuation of property owned by the City, made January 1st, 1874.

*All State, County and City Taxes are raised by percentage on this amount.

† This rate includes taxes for all City purposes, including interest on City Debt. of \$245,000 00.

‡ 10 cents on the dollar of the Grand List is annually applied to the reduction of this debt.

VALUATION OF CITY PROPERTY, JANUARY 1, 1874.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

High School cor. College and Willard streets,	\$30,000
Graded School on Pine street,	12,000
District No. 1, on North avenue,	1,000
“ 3, corner North and Murray streets,	4,000
“ 4, on Maiden lane,	2,000
“ 5, on Colchester avenue,	1,800
“ 6, on Chase street,	2,000
“ 7, on Cherry street,	2,500
“ 8, on Champlain street,	2,500
“ 9, corner Main and Union streets,	9,000
“ 10, on Union street,	1,000
City Hall building,	35,000
* Old Court House,	10,000
Hose house (Clipper Co.) and land,	1,200
School House, North st. } not completed: cost with land,	18,000
“ “ Union st. }	
Engine and stone crusher and buildings, } Street department, 8,700	
horses, carts, tools, &c., }	
Fire Engines, Hose Carriages, Hook and } Fire department, 9,000	
Ladder apparatus, Hose, &c., }	
† City Water Works,	330,000
Engine and H. & L. Houses,	1,000
City Market and land,	15,000
Iron Lamp Posts and apparatus of department of street	
lights,	2,300
75 acres land and buildings—Poor farm,	10,000
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	\$508,000

* This building is now being refitted for the use of the Fletcher Free Library, and for other public offices.

† This valuation is the appraisal of 1872 (see 7th Annual Report) with the amount expended since on construction account, which will, however, carry the amount beyond \$330,000.

MAYOR'S ESTIMATES.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN :

The following statement of the present assets and liabilities of the City, together with an estimate of the probable expenses for the ensuing year, is respectfully submitted :

Balance in the Treasury, January 24, 1874,		\$7.156 58
Uncollected taxes for 1870 and 1871,	69.16	
“ “ 1872,	167 28	
“ “ 1873,	1,587 00	
“ Water rates, 1873,	790 28	
Assessments on Howard street,	90 50	
“ Sewers available,	85 00	
Rents uncollected,	83 34	
Due from Green Mt. Cemetery Association,	281 35	
	<hr/>	\$3.153 91
Estimated income for the ensuing year		
from the following sources :		
Licenses,	\$300 00	
Liquor Agency,	750 00	
Rent of City Hall building,	1,000 00	
“ “ Market,	500 00	
“ from Lease land,	165 75	
Fines and costs Criminal Department,	500 00	
Water Rents for 1874,	17000 00	\$20,215 75
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Total assets,		\$30,526 24

LIABILITIES.

Temporary Loan Merchant's National Bank,		\$22.500 00
Due School Fund,	\$2.428 97	
“ “ house construction,	1.449 36	3.878 33
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., water construc-		
tion,	2.443 44	
“ John Collins “ “	339 30	
“ Pat. W. & G. Pipe Co. “	4.473 71	7.256 45
“ W. H. Thomas, Street Department,		531 64
“ L. A. Drew, Criminal “	632 00	
“ “ “	389 75	1.021 75
“ On unpaid Warrants Liquor De-		
partment,		1.372 12
“ unpaid Warrants, miscellaneous to		
January 26th,		600 00
“ On F. F. Library room, (repairs)		700 00

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

Interest on Water Bonds,	\$13.500 00
“ Improvement Bonds,	1.200 00
“ U. S. Dep. Fund, (School De-	
partment)	1.770 65
“ Temporary Loan,	1.000 00
Sinking Fund,	5.000 00
Salaries,	3.000 00
Street Lights,	2.500 00
Pauper Department,	5.500 00
Criminal “	2.000 00
Fire “	3.000 00

Printing, Advertising and miscellaneous,	5.500 00
Fletcher Free Library (care of)	1.500 00
City Park and Battery,	1.500 00
Current expenses Water Works,	9.000 00
Willard Street extension,	3.484 00
Due High School building including the last payment of the \$15.000 loan in 1871, payable \$5,000 each year fol- lowing,	6,304 39 \$65,759 04

\$103,619 33

Less assets,	30,526 24
	<hr/> \$73,093 09

Should the City Council be authorized to pledge the credit of the city in the sum of \$25,000 by bonding, the net proceeds say	23,000 00
deducted from the above amount will	<hr/>
leave a balance to be provided by tax, of	\$50,093 09

I have included in this amount \$5,000 for the "Sinking Fund," which is a trifle more than 10 cents on the dollar of the grand list. I recommend this addition in consequence of the *increase* of the Bonded debt.

The grand list of the city is a trifle over \$46,000 00 upon which 110 cents on the dollar will be required for city purposes, therefore it will be necessary for the legal voters of the city to authorize the City Council to assess the 10 cts. additional (to last year's city taxes,) 100 cts. being the limit fixed by the city charter, that the Council can assess.

The School Commissioners require for school purposes the ensuing year, 50 cents on the dollar of the grand list in addition to the interest on the U. S. Deposit Fund.

The following taxes will therefore be necessary for the ensuing year :

City tax,	\$1.10
Highway tax, (provided by law,)	20
School tax,	50

BONDED DEBT OF THE CITY.

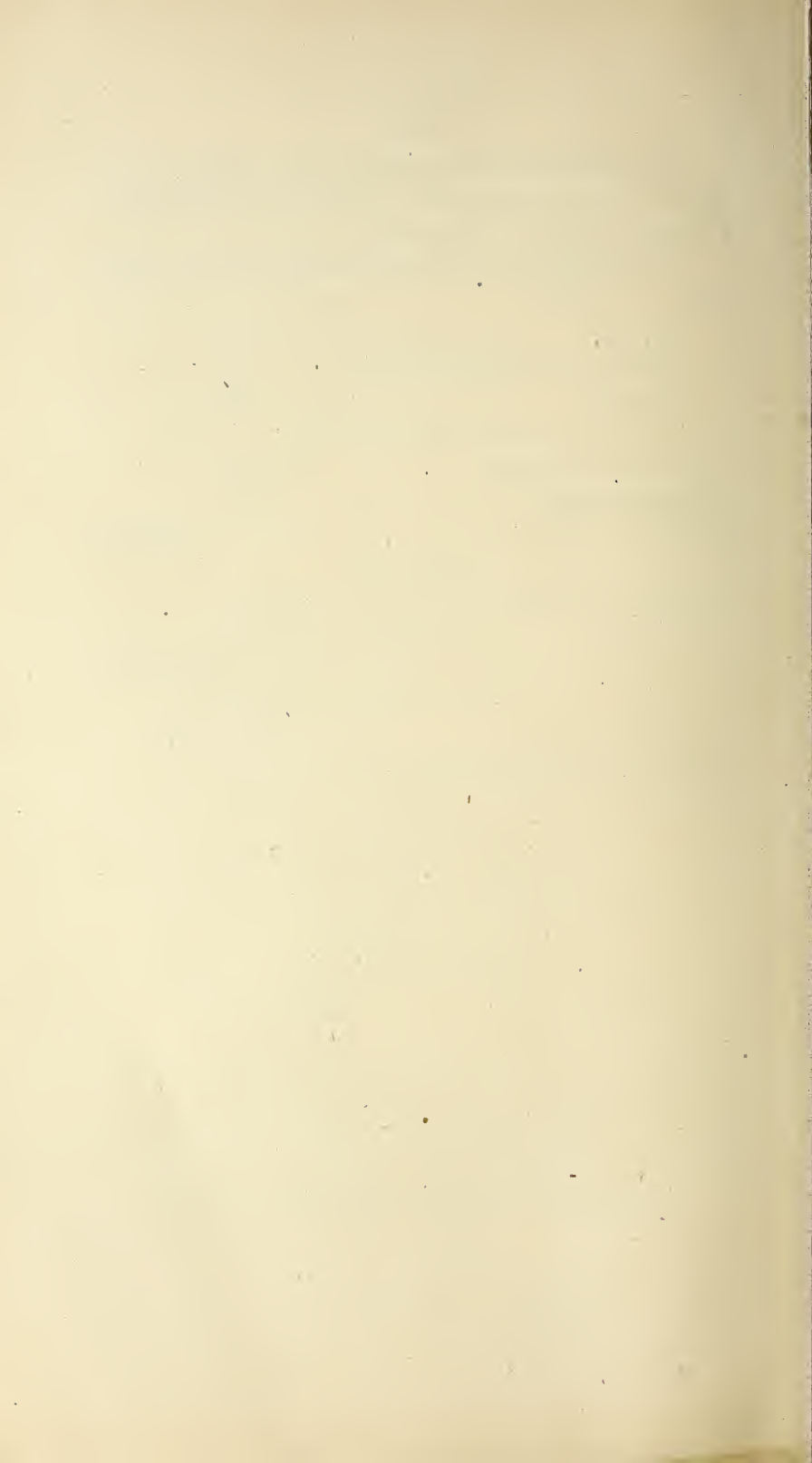
Water Bonds outstanding,	\$214,900	
Improvement Bonds,	20,000	
	————	\$234,900

FLOATING DEBT.

Merchants' Nat. Bank, temporary loan,	\$22,500 00	
Miscellaneous,	10,109 79	
	————	\$32,609 79

L. C. DODGE, Mayor.

Burlington, Feb. 13, 1874.



City of Burlington.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The legal voters in City meeting of the City of Burlington, are hereby notified and warned to meet on

Tuesday, the Third day of March, 1874,

at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, in their respective Wards, at the several Election precincts hereinafter named, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, a City Judge a County Commissioner, and Ward officers for the ensuing year.

The following are designated as Election precincts, vtz :

WARD ONE: The School house on Colchester Avenue, near H. W. Catlin's residence.

WARD TWO: The School house on Union st. (Maiden Lane)

WARD THREE: The house of "Barnes Hose Co ,," on the east side of Champlain street.

WARD FOUR: At the City Hall.

WARD FIVE: The room in the basement of the Van Ness House—St. Paul Street side.

L. C. DODGE, Mayor.

Burlington, Vt., February 17, 1874.

JANUARY 1st, 1875.

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OF THE

City of Burlington, Vt.

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BURLINGTON:

R. S. STYLES & SON'S STEAM JOB PRINTING HOUSE.

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In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1875.

RESOLUTION relating to the publication of the Tenth Annual
City Report of the City of Burlington.

CITY OF BURLINGTON. }
In the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five. }

By Alderman LIPPITT :

Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

The City Clerk is hereby directed to prepare for publication the Annual reports of the City Officers, and such other matter as is usually published in the Annual City Reports, for the year ending December 31, 1874,—and, under the direction of the Mayor, to procure printed 1,100 copies thereof, for circulation among the tax-payers of the City. The Mayor is authorized to award the printing of said Report to such office as will do the work upon the most favorable terms.

Approved January 5, 1875.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

Government and Officers

OF THE

CITY OF BURLINGTON, VT.,

JANUARY 1st, 1875.

MAYOR,

Hon. CALVIN H. BLODGETT.

Term expires first Monday in April, 1875.

Hon. JO D. HATCH,

President of the Board of Aldermen.

CITY JUDGE,

Hon. MILTON R. TYLER.

Term expires first Monday in April, 1875.

CLERK OF CITY COURT,

GEORGE F. MARSH.

Appointed by City Judge.

Board of Aldermen.

Hon. JO D. HATCH, President.

ALDERMEN.

WARDS.

1.	JO D. HATCH,	Term expires April, 1875.
	ORVILLE SINCLEAR,	“ “ “ 1876.
2.	T. E. WALES,	“ “ “ 1875.
	SAM'L HUNTINGTON,	“ “ “ 1876.
3.	HEMAN R. WING,	“ “ “ 1876.
	EDWARD O'NEIL,	“ “ “ 1875.
4.	CHARLES W. LIPPITT,	“ “ “ 1875.
	DANIEL MURRAY,	“ “ “ 1876.
5.	B. B. SMALLEY,	“ “ “ 1875.
	E. M. SUTTON,	“ “ “ 1876.

WILLIAM H. ROOT,

Clerk of the Board.

Standing Committees

OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN,

For the year ending first Monday of April, 1875.

WING,	<i>On Water Department,</i> HUNTINGTON,	LIPPITT.
SMALLEY,	<i>On Fire Department,</i> MURRAY,	O'NEIL.
WALES,	<i>On Streets and Highways,</i> SUTTON,	SINCLEAR.
SUTTON,	<i>On Accounts and Claims,</i> WALES,	SMALLEY.
HUNTINGTON,	<i>On Pauper Department,</i> O'NEIL,	SINCLEAR.
LIPPITT,	<i>On Public Buildings and Parks,</i> WALES,	WING.
SINCLEAR,	<i>General Committee,</i> HUNTINGTON,	O'NEIL.
MURRAY,	<i>On School Affairs,</i> LIPPITT,	SUTTON.
The MAYOR,	<i>On Liquor Agency,</i> HATCH,	SMALLEY.

OFFICERS

APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

TERMS EXPIRE APRIL 25th, 1875,

Excepting Cemetery Commissioners and Assessors.

CITY TREASURER,.....GREENE D. WELLER.
 COLLECTOR OF TAXES,... ..G. D. WELLER.
 CITY ATTORNEY,.....R. H. START.
 CITY CLERK,.....WILLIAM H. ROOT.
 CONSTABLE,.....HIRAM S. WHITE.

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department,
 HIRAM S. WHITE.

Assistant Engineers,

1st. JOHN H. CROMBIE. 3d. EDGAR E. BEVINS.
 2d. WILLIAM SMITH. 4th. EDW. F. LUCAS.

FIRE WARDENS,

Ward I. JOEL LINSLEY. *Ward III.* MICHAEL KELLY.
Ward II. JOEL H. HOLTON. *Ward IV.* RICH'D CUSHING.
Ward V. JAMES E. RUSSELL.

STREET COMMISSIONERS,

TORREY E. WALES, ELLIOT M. SUTTON, ORVILLE SINCLEAR.

CHIEF OF POLICE,

LUMAN A. DREW.

Police Headquarters—City Hall Building, Main Street side.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

ABNER B. LOWRY.

AUDITORS.

MICHAEL MULQUEEN, MILES A. EVARTS, WM. G. SHAW.

Cemetery Commissioners.

DAN LYON,.....Term expires April 25th, 1876.

GEORGE FRANCIS,Term expires April 25th, 1877.

H. H. DOOLITTLE,.....Term expires April 25th, 1875.

City Engineer and Surveyor.

EDWARD H. PHELPS,.....Term expires April 25th, 1875.

Superintendent City Water Works.

ELMORE JOHNSON,.....Term expires April 25th, 1875.

Office,—South side City Hall Building.

CITY GRAND JUROR.

EDWARD F. BROWNELL.

FENCE VIEWERS.

F. J. HENDEE,

A. W. ALLEN.

Inspector of Leather,.....E. C. LOOMIS.

Sealer of Weights and Measures,.....T. V. COSGRIFF.

Pound Keeper and Hayward,.....EDWARD SMITH.

HEALTH OFFICER.

A. P. GRINNELL, M. D.

ASSESSORS.

ALEX. G. WATSON, F. J. HENDEE, JAS. W. HICKOK.

Trustee of U. S. Deposit Fund,

C. W. WOODHOUSE,.....At Merchants National Bank.

Trustees Fletcher Free Library.

The MAYOR, *ex officio*.

MATTHEW H. BUCKHAM,

EDWARD J. PHELPS,

LOAMMI G. WARE,

SAMUEL HUNTINGTON.

Board of School Commissioners.

President,—HENRY L. DODGE, Superintendent.

Clerk,—H. L. DODGE.

WARD ONE.

MATTHEW H. BUCKHAM, Term expires first day of April, 1876.

WARD TWO.

HENRY LOOMIS, Term expires first day of April, 1875.

WARD THREE.

OLIVER CABANA, Term expires first day of April, 1876.

WARD FOUR.

Rev. L. G. WARE, Term expires first day of April, 1875.

WARD FIVE.

LUTHER L. LAWRENCE, Term expires first day of April, 1875.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On School Houses and School Property,

Supt. DODGE, and Commissioners LAWRENCE and CABANA.

On Text Books and Teachers,

Supt. DODGE, and Commissioners BUCKHAM and WARE.

On Finance and Accounts,

Supt. DODGE, and Com'rs LOOMIS, LAWRENCE and CABANA.

On Rules and Regulations,

Supt. DODGE, and Commissioners BUCKHAM and WARE.

Regular Meetings, first Friday of each month at 7.30 P. M., at the Office of Superintendent of Schools, in Fletcher Library Building.

Ward Organizations.

WARD ONE.

Clerk, GEORGE T. SMITH.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

F. J. HENDEE, GEO. N. OLMSTEAD, E. W. CHASE.

WARD TWO.

Clerk, W. S. FARMER.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

LOUIS GERMAIN, E. C. RYER, NEWELL LAWRENCE.

WARD THREE.

Clerk, WILLIAM H. LEE.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

JOHN B. THOMAS, Jr., D. R. BRACKEN, JAS. W. MADIGAN.

WARD FOUR.

Clerk, IRA E. SHATTUCK.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

LOUIS H. TURK, HIRAM WALKER, FRED JOHONNOTT.

WARD FIVE.

Clerk, GEORGE W. BECKWITH.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

EDW. L. WILLARD, CASSIUS P. MORSE, JOHN W. HAYES.

Amendments to the City Charter.

PASSED IN 1874.

No. 170.—AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT APPROVED NOVEMBER 26, 1872, ENTITLED "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CITY OF BURLINGTON," APPROVED NOVEMBER 22, 1864, AND OF THE SEVERAL AMENDMENTS THEREOF HERETOFORE ENACTED.

SECTION

1. Duties of city clerk defined.
2. Powers of police officers; fees.
3. Powers and duties of superintendent of streets; to be under control of standing committee of board of aldermen on streets, who shall be street commissioners; duties of street commissioners; appeals from their decisions may be taken to county court; proceedings there; special powers of street commissioners; assessments made by same, how collected and paid.
4. City judge; may appoint clerk; fees of; temporary vacancy in office of city judge, occasioned by absence or disability, how filled; jurisdiction of judges; appeals, when not allowable; salary and fees of city judge; criminal prosecutions before, by whom brought; fees of city attorney in such cases; clerk to take receipt from officer to whom mittimus is delivered; costs before, how audited and paid; no trial by jury except in civil actions; city judge unable to attend, clerk to continue case; death or absence of judge not a cause for discontinuance; case then to be disposed of by his successor; petition to set aside judgment, how and when received; limitation of time for filing such petition; city

SECTION.

- judge, in signing citation, to take recognizance for costs; may set aside said judgment and stay proceedings, in his discretion; to have same power over its records and proceedings as county court; vacancies in office of, how filled; further special powers of city judge; clerk to be the recording officer thereof.
5. Duties of inspectors of elections.
6. Exhibitions of common showmen and shows, to be regulated (by authorities); to regulate the running at large of certain animals, and prescribe penalties therefor; to cause removal of obstructions from sidewalks; may grant licenses; to regulate and alter grades of streets and direct construction of sidewalks; proceedings under this section; to manage and control public places, parks and commons; to regulate or prohibit putting up signs or awnings.
7. Taxes, how assessed and collected; limitation of city credit.
8. All taxes, except state and county, to be assessed by city council; how collected and paid; duties of city council and treasurer, thereto pertaining.
9. Subject to future legislation.
10. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. Section six of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

The city clerk shall perform for the city the same duties devolving by law upon town clerks, except so far as the same are rendered unnecessary by this charter, and shall receive the same fees therefor. He shall be clerk of the city council and of the board of aldermen. He shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties, and his records, copies and certificates shall be legal evidence in all courts, and for all purposes, as those of town clerks are. He shall have the exclusive charge and custody of the records and papers of the city, which shall not be taken out of, or away from his office, unless upon the order or process of a court of competent jurisdiction.

SEC. 2. Section eight of said act is hereby amended by adding after the word "city," in the thirteenth line of said section, so as to read as follows:

All police officers shall have authority to serve anywhere within the state and return process in criminal causes returnable within the city: and for such duties there shall be taxed and allowed the fees provided by law for a sheriff, for similar services, which fees shall belong to the city, and be paid into the city treasury, whenever such policeman shall be under pay from the city.

SEC. 3. Section nine of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

The superintendent of streets, subject to the orders and ordinances of the city council, shall have the immediate care and supervision of the streets and public sewers of the city, and it shall be his duty to see that the same are properly constructed and kept in suitable and sufficient repair, and in the performance of such duties, shall have all the power and authority conferred by law upon highway surveyors and street commissioners of towns. He shall be under the general direction and control of the standing committee of the board of aldermen on streets and highways, which said standing committee shall consist of three members of such board, to be appointed by the board of aldermen annually in the month of April, and who shall hold their office for the term of one year from the first Monday in April, and until their successors shall be chosen and qualified; and said members of such standing committee shall constitute the board of street commissioners, and it shall be the duty of said board of street commissioners

to see that all streets and highways, laid out and established in said city, are properly constructed, and when in their judgment the public good requires, shall cause such streets and highways to be worked and graded the entire width thereof, and made in such a manner as they shall judge will best accommodate the public. Said board shall at all times be subject to the ordinances and orders of the city council. The street commissioners, so appointed, shall have the same power to lay out, alter and discontinue streets and highways as is vested by law in selectmen of towns; and all proceedings in respect to laying out, altering or discontinuing highways in said city, shall be had in the same manner as is prescribed by law in respect to such matters in towns, except that the street commissioners shall, in said city, act in the place of selectmen; and from all their acts, or omissions, or refusals to act in such respect, appeals may be taken to the county court in the same manner, and conducted with the same proceedings, as is provided by law for appeals from the decision of selectmen in such matters, except that in the appointment of commissioners by the county court in connection with any appeal to said court from any decision of the street commissioners, made under the authority of this act, no person shall be disqualified for appointment by said court as commissioner, by the fact that he is a resident or tax payer in said city.

Said street commissioners, in laying out or altering highways, shall have power, subject to the ordinances and by-laws of the city council, on giving twelve days notice of the time and place of hearing to the parties interested, in the manner provided by section ninety-three of chapter twenty-four of the general statutes, to assess the owners of lands adjoining such highway, so much of the expenses of opening, making or altering such highway, including land damages, as the said commissioners shall judge such lands will be benefitted thereby; and if the highway has not been, at the time of making such assessment, actually opened, made or altered, as the case may be, the said commissioners shall estimate the probable expense of such opening, making or altering of the same, and make the aforesaid assessment upon such estimate. In case of assessment, the commissioners shall embrace in the statement of their decision in regard to the laying out or altering of the

highway, a full statement of all assessments made by them, especially describing the lands so assessed, and such statement they shall cause to be recorded in full by the city clerk, in the city clerk's office, and when so recorded, the amount so assessed shall be and remain a lien, in the nature of a tax, upon the lands assessed, until the same shall be paid, except in cases of appeal from such assessment, or of appeal under section forty-one of chapter twenty-four of the general statutes. From such assessment there shall be the same right of appeal to the county court, and the same proceedings in respect to such appeal, as is before provided in this section ; and the final decision of the county court in the matter of such appeal shall, when the record thereof is duly recorded in the city clerk's office, as aforesaid, be a lien upon the lands so assessed as aforesaid. But such an appeal from such assessment, or an appeal from the allowance of land damages, shall not delay the opening, making or altering of such highway ; and if the owners of such land, so assessed, shall neglect for sixty days after the recording of the final decision of the said street commissioners, as aforesaid, in case there shall be no appeal from such decision ; and in case of appeal to the county court within sixty days after the recording of the final decision of said court, as aforesaid, to pay to the city treasurer the amount of said assessment, the city treasurer shall issue his warrant to the constable of the city for the collection thereof ; and such constable shall have authority to sell at public auction so much of said land as will satisfy said assessment and all legal fees ; and he shall proceed in the same manner as collectors of town taxes are required by law to proceed in selling real estate at auction for the collection of town taxes. In all cases of appeal under section forty-one of chapter twenty-four of the general statutes, the question of assessment upon the owners of adjoining lands shall also pass to the county court, and shall be referred to, and be reported upon, by the commissioners to be appointed by such court, and shall be adjudicated by said court.

The street commissioners are authorized, subject to the orders and ordinances of the city council, to establish, construct and maintain public sewers in the city, and they may assess the owners of lands or buildings adjoining the streets through which such sewers may be established, opposite such lands or

buildings, so much of the expenses of constructing such sewers, as the said commissioners shall judge such lands or buildings to be benefited thereby, and the street commissioners are also authorized and empowered to establish, construct and maintain public sewers, in and through the lands of individuals and corporations, on making compensation for lands taken therefor, in the same manner as is prescribed by law in the laying out and establishing of highways. And they may assess the owners of lands through which such sewers may be established and constructed, in the same manner, and to the same extent, as is hereinbefore provided in respect to public sewers, established and constructed in the streets of the city; and the same proceedings shall be had, and the same rights of appeal shall exist, as in the case of the laying out and establishing of highways, and the same lien shall attach, and be enforced in the same manner in respect to such assessments, as is in this act provided in respect to assessments by the street commissioners upon adjoining land owners in case of laying out or making highways.

Whenever a petition in writing shall be presented to the board of aldermen, signed by the owner or owners of a majority of the frontage upon any street, lane or alley in said city, or of any portion of such street, lane or alley, particularly describing such street, lane or alley, or portion thereof, and praying that the same may be graded, paved or macadamized, curbed and guttered, or that either of such improvements may be made, the city council shall forthwith order and direct the street commissioners to cause such street, lane or alley, or such portion thereof as shall be specified in such petition, or order of said city council, to be graded, paved or macadamized, as the case may be, and curbed and guttered, all at the expense and cost of all the owners of lands or buildings adjacent to, or abutting upon such street, lane or alley, or part thereof, specified and described in such petition or order of said city council. And the street commissioners on giving twelve days notice of the time and place of hearing, to the parties interested, in the manner provided in section ninety-three of chapter twenty-four of the general statutes, shall assess the cost of expense thereof upon all the lands and buildings fronting upon, or adjacent to the street, lane or alley, or

part thereof, specified and described in such petition or order, graded, paved or macadamized, curbed and guttered, as aforesaid, according to the frontage of such lands or buildings upon such street, lane or alley, or part thereof. And said street commissioners shall make up a statement of all such assessments made by them, particularly describing the lands or buildings assessed, and such statement they shall forthwith cause to be recorded in the city clerk's office, and when so recorded shall be and remain a lien, in the nature of a tax upon the lands or buildings assessed, until the same shall be paid.

It shall be the duty of the city clerk to place said lists of assessments in the hands of the city treasurer for collection, as soon after he shall have recorded the same as may be. The city treasurer shall thereupon, forthwith notify, in writing, the owner or owners of lands or buildings so assessed, their agents or attorneys, stating therein the amount of such assessments, and all such assessments shall be paid to the city treasurer, within sixty days after the same shall have been filed for record in the city clerk's office: and if the owner or owners, of any such lands or buildings so assessed as aforesaid, shall neglect, refuse or omit to pay any such assessment to the city treasurer, within the time aforesaid, the city treasurer shall issue his warrant to the constable of the city for the collection thereof, and such constable shall proceed to collect the same, in the manner hereinbefore prescribed in this section, for the collection and enforcement of assessments made in cases of the laying out or altering of highways.

SEC. 4. Section eleven of said act, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 11. A city judge shall be annually elected from among the freemen of the city, on the first Tuesday of March. The city judge shall be judge of the city court, which shall be a court of record, and shall have a seal. The city judge shall appoint a clerk of the city court, and may remove him at pleasure. The clerk of said court shall be entitled to receive the sum of fifty cents for recording each case in said court, and the same fees for copies of records, as are allowed by law to clerks of county courts, and such additional compensation as may be allowed him by the city judge out of his salary.

The city court shall be open at all times, and shall be held by the city judge, except that in case of his absence from the city, or inability to serve, the board of aldermen may appoint from among the justices of the peace in said city, some one of them to act in his place, and hold said court during such absence or disability; and such justice of the peace, so acting and holding said court, shall have and exercise all the powers of the city judge.

The city court shall have jurisdiction of all actions of a civil nature, including replevin, and trespass on the freehold, if either of the parties reside in said city at the time of the commencement of the action, or if neither party reside in the state at such time, where the debt, damages or value of the goods and chattels replevied or other matter in demand, does not exceed five hundred dollars, but nothing herein contained shall affect the original jurisdiction of the county court, as now provided by law; provided, that the provisions of section thirty-three of chapter thirty-one of the general statutes, in regard to the town in which writs in certain suits therein described shall be made returnable, shall apply to said city court. The city court may try and determine all prosecutions for such criminal offences committed within the county of Chittenden as are not punishable by death or imprisonment in the state prison, except offences within the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace to try and determine, which are committed without said city, by a respondent residing without said city. The city court is empowered to cause to be apprehended and committed to prison, or bound over with sufficient sureties for trial by the county court, all persons charged with crimes committed in said county, exceeding its jurisdiction to try. The city court shall have exclusive original jurisdiction of all complaints and prosecutions for violations of city ordinances and by-laws. In all prosecutions in which, by law, a sentence of imprisonment in the county jail may be rendered, the city court may, in its discretion, render a sentence of imprisonment at hard labor in the city house of correction, for a term not exceeding six months. In all criminal causes before said court, there shall be the same right of appeal to the county court, as is secured by law in criminal causes before a justice of the peace, and such appeal shall be taken in the same

manner, and under the same regulations, as in criminal causes before a justice of the peace. From the judgment of the city court in all civil cases, excepting as hereinafter provided, an appeal may be taken to the county court, under the same regulations as are provided for appeals from the judgment of a justice of the peace in civil actions. No appeal shall be allowed in either of the following cases :

First. When judgment was rendered by nonsuit or default.

Second. In actions where neither the *ad damnum* in the plaintiff's writ, nor the sum demanded by the declaration, nor the specifications or exhibits of the plaintiff on trial, shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars, excepting actions for fine or penalty, actions of trespass on the freehold, actions in which the legality of the assessment or collection of any tax is concerned, and actions where the defendant pleads in offset any *bona fide* demand or demands exceeding the sum of fifty dollars, and actions where the defendant *bona fide* pleads the authority of any court, civil or military, in excuse or justification ; or where the defendant shall *bona fide* plead, in excuse or justification, that he was acting as public officer, under or by virtue of any tax-bill or military warrant ; except that either party, in any action for the recovery of any subscription to the capital stock of any corporation, may appeal, and in all cases where the title to land is concerned, either party may appeal.

Third. In actions of replevin for property, the value whereof, as fixed by the appraisers, does not exceed twenty dollars.

Fourth. In criminal prosecutions, where the respondent is acquitted.

In all prosecutions for criminal offences within the jurisdiction of the city court to try and determine, and in all civil cases before said court, exceptions to the decisions of said court, upon questions of law, may be taken to the supreme court in the same manner and under the same regulations as provided by law for exceptions from the county court to the supreme court in criminal and civil cases respectively. But no such exceptions shall be allowed when an appeal is taken to the county court.

When any person shall be in actual confinement in the jail of Chittenden county, by virtue of a complaint for any crime or misdemeanor alleged to have been committed in said county, the city court shall, upon the application of such person, order the state's attorney of said county to file an information against such person; and said court shall have the same powers, and perform the same duties, and under the same regulations, as are prescribed in sections eighty-six, eighty-seven and eighty-nine of chapter thirty of the general statutes, for cases where such application is made to the supreme court of said county.

The city judge shall receive a salary of three hundred dollars per annum, to be paid by the state treasurer, and, in addition, shall be entitled to the fees taxed for him as costs in the city court, according to law, and shall also receive a fee of one dollar and fifty cents in full of all fees, in naturalization cases, to be paid by the person naturalized, and such naturalization shall be in accordance with the statutes of this state.

In all causes, both civil and criminal, before the city court, the city judge, and parties, shall be entitled to tax and receive double the costs allowed by law to justices of the peace, and parties respectively, in suits or prosecutions before justices of the peace.

The city judge shall also be entitled to tax and receive the sum of one dollar, for each bill of exceptions allowed and signed by him; he shall also fix the amount to be paid to the clerk of the city court, as his additional compensation, from, and out of his salary as city judge. Criminal prosecutions before said court may be brought by the state's attorney, city attorney, and any grand juror in said county; but all prosecutions for a breach of any city ordinance shall be brought solely by the city attorney; but in case of the absence of the city attorney from the city, or by reason of his inability to serve, prosecutions for breach of city ordinances may be brought by a city grand juror, in the city court; and prosecutions for criminal offences may be brought by the city attorney before justices of the peace; and the city attorney shall, in all cases, be subject to all and the same penalties and liabilities for any neglect or violation of official duty

as are or shall be imposed by law upon state's attorneys for similar offences. The city attorney shall be entitled to tax and receive, in addition to the fees provided by law for town grand jurors, the sum of three dollars for every prosecution or complaint in said city court, for a breach of any city ordinance; and in all other prosecutions in said court for criminal offences, excepting those under chapter ninety-four of the general statutes, respecting the traffic in intoxicating drinks, or any amendments thereof or additions thereto, the prosecuting officer shall be entitled to tax and receive the same fees provided by law for town grand jurors, and in addition thereto, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents for each trial in which the respondent shall be convicted. All fines, penalties and forfeitures recovered in said court shall be paid to the city judge, and by him into the city treasury, excepting in cases where, by law, express provision to the contrary is made; and when any mittimus shall be issued by the city court in any cause where a fine shall have been imposed and made payable to said city, or where a penalty shall have been imposed, in which said city is interested, the clerk of the court shall take from the officer to whom the mittimus shall be delivered, a receipt therefor, and immediately transmit or deliver the same to the city treasurer; and whenever any justice of the peace in said city shall issue a mittimus in any cause, where the fine or penalty imposed by him is payable to, or in which the city may be interested, he shall take from the officer to whom such mittimus shall be delivered, a receipt therefor, and immediately transmit or deliver the same to the city treasurer. In criminal causes in said court, the costs shall be audited and paid as is provided by law for costs in criminal causes before a justice of the peace. In all prosecutions for nuisances, the city court shall have power, subject to such restrictions as may be prescribed by the city council, in a summary manner to order such nuisance to be abated and removed, and to issue such warrants as shall be necessary to carry such orders into effect.

Said city court shall have all the powers granted by law to justices of the peace in the county of Chittenden, and the judge of said court shall be authorized to perform the duties required by law to be performed by justices of the peace; and

all existing provisions of law applicable to proceedings before justices of the peace, and the effect thereof, shall apply to said city court, except that in trials by jury, it shall be the duty of the city judge to instruct the jury on questions of law, and that there shall be no trial by jury in said court except in civil actions, and with the further exception, and that writs of *mesne* and final process, and mittimus, returnable to said court, may be signed either by the city judge or the clerk of said court, and that all affidavits under sections seventy-six and seventy-seven of chapter thirty-three of the general statutes, may be filed either with the judge or the clerk of said court; provided, that all hearings under section seventy-eight of said chapter thirty-three shall be had before the city judge. Whenever the city judge shall be unable to attend at the time appointed for the trial of any cause, the clerk of the court shall continue the same for a period not exceeding three weeks; and the death, resignation, removal from the city, permanent inability to serve, or expiration of the term of office, on the part of the city judge, shall not cause a discontinuance or transfer to another jurisdiction of any cause pending in said city court, but the same shall continue pending in said city court, and be tried and disposed of by his successor in office. And when any judgment shall have been rendered by said court in any action upon default, and the defendant or any trustee therein shall have been unjustly deprived of his day in court, by fraud, accident or mistake, or such defendant shall have been unjustly deprived of a hearing in the assessment of damages in any action, or when a party or trustees shall have been prevented from entering an appeal from the judgment of said court, by fraud, accident or mistake, the city court may on the petition of the person aggrieved, in its discretion, and on such terms and conditions as such court shall judge reasonable, reverse and set aside such judgment and proceed to hear, try and determine such action, and make all necessary orders therein, in the same manner as if no judgment had been rendered; and shall be entitled to the same fees as on the trial.

No petition shall be sustained under the foregoing provisions unless brought within two years next after the rendition of such judgment, and when brought, the same verified by oath,

with a citation annexed thereto, signed by the city judge, shall be served upon the adverse party at least six days, and not more than thirty days, before the time appointed in such citation for trial.

The city judge, on signing such citation, shall take sufficient surety by way of recognizance to the adverse party, which shall be minuted on such citation, conditioned, that if the petitioner shall fail to prosecute his petition to effect, or finally to recover in such action, he will pay to the adverse party all intervening damages and costs that shall have accrued to him by reason of such petition being preferred.

The city judge, from a consideration of the facts set forth in such petition and verified as aforesaid, may in his discretion, order a stay of proceedings on such judgment, whether execution shall have issued or not, until a final decision shall be made on such petition.

And the city court shall have the same power over its judgments, records and proceedings as is now vested in the county court by statute or common law, and may exercise, in connection therewith, all the powers of courts of record at common law.

In case of death, resignation, removal from the city, or permanent inability to serve, on the part of the city judge, his office shall be filled by the board of Aldermen from among the legal voters of the city. The city judge shall have power to take affidavits and depositions to be used in any court in the state, and also to take acknowledgments of deeds or other conveyances of lands, or any estate or interest therein.

And the city judge is further authorized and empowered to perform all the duties required to be performed by judges of the supreme court under and by sections thirty-four, thirty-five and thirty-six of chapter thirty-six of the general statutes, and shall have and exercise in such cases all the powers conferred upon judges of the supreme court by said sections.

The clerk of said court shall be the recording officer thereof, and shall furnish to any person, on demand and tender of the legal fees, certified copies of any of the records, proceedings or minutes of such court, under the seal thereof.

SEC. 5. Section eighteen of said act is hereby amended so as to read, after the twenty-first line thereof, as follows :

Such inspectors of election shall, immediately after any election for representative of the city and senators to the general assembly, and also of members of congress, and of presidential electors, whenever elections for such shall have been held in said city, certify the result of such election in their respective wards, to the city clerk, who shall make a record thereof.

SEC. 6. Number three of section twenty of said act, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

3. To regulate the exhibitions of common showmen, and shows of every kind not interdicted by law, and to regulate, restrain or license itinerant venders and peddlers.

Number thirteen of said section twenty of said act, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

13. To restrain or regulate the running at large of cattle, horses, swine, sheep and goats, and to regulate or restrain the running at large of dogs. And in addition to the tax now imposed by the laws of this state upon the owners or keepers of dogs, to impose upon or require of the owner or keeper of any dog or dogs, such additional tax or a license fee for the keeping thereof, and prescribe such penalties in default thereof, as may be deemed necessary. And all moneys received hereunder, shall be paid into the city treasury and belong to said city.

Number sixteen of said section twenty, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

16. To compel all persons to remove from the sidewalks and gutters in front of the premises owned or occupied by them, all snow, ice, dirt and garbage, and to keep such sidewalks and gutters clean, and to compel the owners or occupants of any land or premises in the city, to cut and remove from the streets and sidewalks in front of such land or premises, all grass, thistles and weeds growing, or being thereon, under such regulations as may be prescribed therefor.

Number seventeen of said section twenty, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

17. To license inn-keepers, keepers of saloons, victualling houses, billiard saloons and auctioneers, under such regulations as shall be prescribed therefor; and all moneys paid for such licenses shall belong to the city, and be paid into the city treasury.

22. To regulate, establish and alter the grades of streets, and the grade and width of sidewalks, and the construction thereof, and to prescribe the material to be used therein; and also, to provide, order and direct that the sidewalks upon such streets as the city council shall designate, shall be constructed at the expense of the owner or owners of the land or buildings, adjacent thereto. And in case any such owner or owners shall neglect, refuse or omit to construct such sidewalk in the manner, within the time, and of the material prescribed by the city council, the street commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to construct the same, and to assess the lands or buildings of such owner or owners so neglecting, refusing or omitting as aforesaid, adjacent to, or abutting on any such sidewalk, so constructed by said street commissioners, the cost or expense thereof,—such assessment to be apportioned among the owners of such lands or buildings, fronting as aforesaid according to their frontage upon such sidewalk, to be made in the manner and in accordance with the provisions of section three of this act, relating to the making assessments for the laying out or altering of highways. Such assessments when made and recorded in the office of the city clerk of said city, shall be and remain a lien upon such lands or buildings, in the nature of a tax, and may be enforced and collected in the manner prescribed for the collection of assessments in said section three.

Section twenty of said act is hereby further amended, by adding after the twenty-seventh clause in said section, the following two clauses, numbered respectively twenty-eight and twenty-nine, to wit:

28. To manage and control the public places, parks and commons in said city, and to regulate the use of the same by the public, and to prevent and punish trespasses or willful injuries to, or upon any fountain, shade or ornamental tree or shrub, building or structure placed therein, by or under the orders of the city council, in such a manner as shall not be inconsistent with the laws of this state.

29. To regulate, or prohibit the suspending or putting up of any sign or awning in or over any street, lane, alley, common or other public place in the city; and whenever the public good may require, to order and direct that any such

sign or awning heretofore erected or suspended as aforesaid, shall be taken down or removed.

SEC. 7. Section twenty-four of said act, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 24. The mayor shall assess on the grand list of the city, all state and county taxes. The highway tax for the city shall be collected in money. Warrants for the collection of state and county taxes shall be signed by the mayor or a justice of the peace in the city. The city council may, in addition to the taxes required by law to be raised upon the grand list of the city, annually assess upon such grand list a tax for city purposes, which shall not exceed two hundred cents upon the dollar thereof, exclusive of the tax for the support of schools, except when authorized by the legal voters of the city in general meeting assembled. And said city council may also annually assess upon the grand list of the city, a tax not exceeding fifteen cents on the dollar thereof, the proceeds of which said tax shall be applied to the sinking fund, for the redemption of the bonded debt of the city. The money raised by taxation, from fines and from other lawful sources, shall constitute the entire sum from which appropriations and payment are to be made, according to law, by or under the authority of the city council; and the credit of the city, other than by temporary loans, not exceeding seventy-five cents on the dollar of the grand list of the city for the time being, shall not be pledged except by authority of the legal voters of the city.

SEC. 8. Section twenty-eight of said act, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 28. All taxes, except state and county taxes, shall be assessed by the city council; and whenever any tax shall be assessed by the city council, the tax bill shall be delivered to the city treasurer, to whom the taxes so assessed shall be paid; and if at the expiration of one month and eight days from the time said tax-bill shall have been delivered to said treasurer, any taxes shall remain unpaid, the treasurer shall make up a tax-bill, of all taxes which remain unpaid, for the collection of all such taxes so remaining unpaid, and annex a warrant to the said tax-bill, adding to each unpaid tax five per cent, which warrant shall be returnable to such city treasurer in sixty days from its date, and shall be addressed and deliver-

ed to the constable of the city; and it shall be the duty of such constable to collect all taxes legally imposed, contained in such tax-bill and warrant, including such five per cent, and pay the same to the city treasurer on or before the time when such warrant is made returnable, subject to such abatement of such taxes, as may be made by the board for the abatement of taxes. The city council may extend the time for the collection and payment of such taxes and five per cent, and the return of any such warrant by such constable, from time to time, as in their judgment shall be proper, not exceeding one year in the whole. Such constable shall have the same power and authority in the collection of such taxes and five per cent, and shall proceed in the same manner therein, and be under the same duties and liabilities, and have the same privileges in respect thereto, as the general laws of the state now or may hereafter prescribe in regard to the collection of taxes by constables or collectors of taxes in towns, and he shall be entitled to the same fees for the service of such warrant on the respective delinquent tax payers named therein, and the collection of such taxes and five per cent, as collectors of taxes are by law now entitled to, when they levy on persons or estate, and such fees shall be collected by such constable of such delinquent tax payers, and shall be the only compensation of such constable for the collection and payment to the city treasurer, of such taxes and five per cent. Public notice of the fact shall be given by the city treasurer when any tax shall be assessed by the city council and the tax bill delivered to him, by publication in all the daily and weekly newspapers published in said city for the period of eight days immediately succeeding the time when such tax-bill shall have been delivered to the city treasurer, and in such notice the time shall be named, when, according to this section, all unpaid taxes on such tax-bill will be placed in the hands of the constable for collection, as aforesaid.

SEC. 9. This act shall be a public act, and may be altered, amended or repealed by the general assembly, whenever the public good may require.

SEC. 10. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, November 24, 1874.

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO INN-KEEPERS, AUCTIONEERS, PORTERS, CARTMEN, AND THE OWNERS AND DRIVERS OF HACKNEY COACHES, CABS AND CARRIAGES," AMENDED JANUARY 27, 1869,—AMENDED AND APPROVED AS AMENDED, MAY 25, 1873.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Section 6 of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Inn-Keepers, Auctioneers, Porters, Cartmen, and the owners and drivers of Hackney Coaches, Cabs, and Carriages," amended Jan. 27, 1869, and amended and approved as amended May 25, 1873, is hereby amended so as to read "For Hackney Coaches, Cabs, Sleighs and Carriages, five dollars each per year."

Approved January 6, 1874.

L. C. DODGE, Mayor.

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO SALOONS," APPROVED APRIL 12th, 1865.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Section one of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Saloons," approved April 12th, 1865, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

No person shall keep a Saloon or Victualling House, until he shall have first obtained a license therefor from the Board of Aldermen, signed by the Mayor, and recorded in the City Clerk's office : and shall have paid to the City Treasurer, for said license, at the rate of twenty-five dollars per annum.

SEC. 2. Section two of said Ordinance is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

All licenses shall specify the time for which the same are granted, and shall in no case run longer than to the end of the year in which the same are granted.

Approved June 2d, 1874.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE ERECTION OF WOODEN BUILDINGS, ROOFS AND AWNINGS," APPROVED JANUARY 27th, 1873.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Section four of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the erection of Wooden Buildings, Roofs and Awnings," approved January 27th, 1873, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

The following portions of the City, hereinafter bounded and described, shall constitute the limits in which no person shall cover the roof of any building with shingles or other wooden substances, or erect any wooden building or buildings, or erect, put up or place, any awning or shade made wholly or in part of wood, over any portion of any street, lane, alley, sidewalk or public common, without license therefor, first granted by the City Council, to wit: Commencing at a point five rods south of the centre line of Maple street in the centre line of Water street—now Battery street:—thence easterly parallel with said Maple street to Willard street: thence north, including both sides of said Willard street, to a point five rods north of Pearl street: thence west, parallel with Pearl street, to the centre line of Water—now Battery—street: thence south in the centre line of Water—now Battery—street, to the point of beginning.

Approved August 18th, 1874.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION SIX OF AN "ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO INN-KEEPERS," &c., AND OF SECTION FOUR OF AN "ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO SALOONS."

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. So much of "An Ordinance in relation to Inn-keepers, Auctioneers, Porters, Cartmen, and the owners and drivers of Hackney Coaches, Cabs and Carriages," approved

May 25, 1873, as relates to the licensing of Cartmen, is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. Section four of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Saloons," approved April 12, 1865, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance, shall forfeit and pay to said City a sum not less than five dollars, nor more than fifty dollars.

Approved December 22d, 1874.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO BILLIARD SALOONS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. No person shall open or keep any Billiard Saloon, Billiard Room, or place wherein the game of Billiards is played, or set up, keep or maintain, any billiard table in this City for public use, until he shall have first obtained a license therefor, from the Board of Aldermen, signed by the Mayor.

SEC. 2. There shall be paid to the City Treasurer, before such license shall be delivered, or take effect, a license fee of five dollars for each and every billiard table so set up, kept or maintained as aforesaid, and embraced in or covered by such license.

SEC. 3. All licenses shall expire at the end of the year in which the same are granted, and shall not be assigned or transferred without the approval of the Board of Aldermen. And no license granted under the provisions of this Ordinance shall authorize the licensee to keep a saloon or victualling house in any billiard saloon or room.

SEC. 4. No person keeping any billiard saloon, or billiard room, for public use, or having the care or control thereof, shall allow, or permit, any minor to be admitted thereto, or to play at billiards in such billiard saloon or billiard room, without the permission of his parents, master or guardian.

SEC. 5. No person keeping any billiard saloon or billiard room, or having the care or control thereof, shall allow, suffer or permit the same to be kept open, or used, between the hours of eleven o'clock in the evening and six o'clock in the morning of each day.

SEC. 6. If any person keeping any billiard saloon or room, or having the care or control thereof, shall allow, suffer or permit any gaming, or gambling therein, the license granted for such saloon or room shall be forfeited, and shall thenceforth be null and void.

SEC. 7. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance, shall forfeit and pay, for each and every offence, a sum not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

Approved December 22d, 1874.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

MAYOR'S ADDRESS.

Delivered April 6th, 1874.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN:—In assuming the duties of the executive office conferred upon me, it is required that I bring before you such matters as may be deemed worthy of your attention.

I shall, at this time, only present to you what may suggest itself as most important for your immediate action.

Knowing well my inexperience in civic affairs, and distrusting my ability to meet the expectations of the people, I ask the active and hearty co-operation of the Board and of the citizens generally, to enable me successfully to perform the duties of my office. I can only assure you, and them, that I will do all in my power to secure a just and prudent administration.

Let us enter upon our respective duties with an earnest and determined purpose to faithfully and honestly carry out such measures as will tend to promote the prosperity and welfare of our City.

FINANCES.

The subject of finance in all City Governments, where the population is increasing rapidly, is a perplexing one, and the question of ways and means, to carry out old and make new improvements, requires careful deliberation and united action. I do not regard our present condition as unfavorable, considering what has been accomplished since the organization of our City Government in 1865.

The introduction of the water works, which I am sure our citizens have never regretted, has required very large expenditures, and given us our principal debt.

The sinking fund was created by the citizens for securing payment of the Bonds, and the good faith of the City is pledged to its regular increase, and to its being used only for the purpose for which it was intended. If this is done, the fund will eventually retire these Bonds.

Remembering that the value of our improvements is more than double our indebtedness, we have no reason to be distrustful of the future.

It will be our duty to expend, in the most careful and judicious manner, such funds as may be from time to time appropriated. The people have responded nobly to all calls for public improvements, but they do, and should, require from us wise and prudent management, and I desire to suggest the necessity of procuring carefully prepared estimates, that the expenditures in the several departments shall not exceed the appropriations.

As a general policy, I think it wise for a city of our size, wealth and business resources, to make demands on the future; but owing to the present financial depression, it may be well to guard against any outlay this year more than is absolutely necessary. This is a question which will be for you to decide, and do what seems best for the interest of the city.

I copy from my predecessor's estimates in gross,—for the items I would refer you to the ninth annual city report.

MAYOR'S ESTIMATES.

Liabilities and estimated expenses (for the ensuing year,).....	\$103,619 33
Assets,.....	\$30,526 24

To be raised by tax,.....\$73,093 09

In estimating the probable tax that would be required for city purposes, including 10 cents for the sinking fund,—making 110 cents on the dollar,—it was anticipated that the city council would be authorized to pledge the credit of the city in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, (\$25,000) by bonding. This was done March 13th, 1874.

The estimates are, in my opinion, too small, and will come short in several departments,—for instance, Criminal and Police department,—

Estimated at \$2,000, cost the past year,	\$4,872 09
Fire Dep't, \$3,000 “ “ “ “	\$4,943,38
Water “ \$9,000 “ “ “ “	\$10,981,28
Old and uncollected taxes for years 1870, '71, '72 and '73, including water rents,.....	\$2,613 72
Due from Green Mt. Cemetery Association,.....	\$281,35

Excess of expenses the past year, more than estimated,.....	\$23,691 82 \$9,691 82
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The uncollected taxes, and amount due from Green Mt. Cemetery Association, I have put in with the above, for the reason, it will be observed by referring back to the several city reports, that there has been about this amount carried forward from year to year. It is perfectly correct to include the uncollected taxes with assets on hand, but it is always necessary that the estimate for miscellaneous expenses should be sufficiently liberal to cover any deficiency, which I do not find sufficient for the ensuing year.

Am't of excess over estimates, brought forward,	\$9,691 82
Add amount as shown in Mayor's estimates,	\$50,093 09

Balance to be provided by tax,	\$59,784 91
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If this basis is correct it will require for city purposes a tax on the grand list of 130 cents on the dollar; therefore it will be necessary for the legal voters of the city to authorize the city council to assess 30 cents additional, (to last year's city taxes) 100 cents being the limit fixed by city charter, that the council can assess.

BONDED DEBT.

Our bonded debt is \$234,900; of this, \$214,900 is for construction of water works, and \$20,000 is for improvement of streets, sidewalks and sewers.

There is now standing upon the city treasurer's books to the credit of the sinking fund, for the redemption of this debt, \$10,100 00

And the sinking fund holds also, in addition,

of the bonds of the city,	\$9,750 00
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Net bonded debt,	\$215,050 00
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Floating debt January 1st, 1874,	\$32,609 79
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Of this, \$6,304 39 is the balance due on high school building loan authorized in 1869, and will be extinguished during the present year, by taxes. The balance will be nearly extinguished probably within the next sixty days, by the application of the avails of the city bonds authorized in city meeting March 13th, 1874.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS.

The piece of McAdam roadway constructed last year, leading from St. Paul Street to the Lake, appears to give general

satisfaction to the public, and the small piece on Union street will doubtless be equally good when completed.

We now have all the necessary machinery, tools, &c., for preparing the stone suitably for this kind of roadway.

The system adopted the past year of concentrating the funds as much as possible, if adhered to, will place us in a condition to make the highway tax of permanent value.

The sidewalks are generally in a bad and dilapidated condition; but before they can be permanently repaired, the streets should be brought to their proper grade.

As the street work must necessarily be slow, I would propose the use of the fine crushed stone for sidewalks, as a temporary relief—the cost of which would be comparatively trifling. Would it not be well for the board to appropriate from the street fund a specific amount for the improvement of our sidewalks?

I desire to call your attention to the recommendation of the Superintendent of streets, in the last annual report, that a barn and shed be provided to shelter the horses and tools belonging to this department, as I deem it of importance that his suggestions be carried out. At present, the want of such a building results in great inconvenience and loss.

The horses have been kept at inconvenient points, where vacant barns can be had; the tools are scattered about the city, many of them entirely without shelter.

SEWERS.

There has been considerable done in the construction of sewers, but it is small when compared with the great needs of the city. The main sewer in the ravine, east of the City Market, has been completed between College and Main streets, and its continuation to the lake is of most urgent necessity.

The health of the city, the coming season, demand that you give this your immediate attention. Maiden Lane, (now called Union Street) Locust, Champlain, Battery, and other streets, are also suffering for the want of proper sewerage. Much as sewers are needed in many streets, however, I very much doubt the expediency of constructing any sewers tributary to the main sewer in the ravine, until the latter is completed to the lake,

There is another work in this connection that should be done at once. The pond south of the Post Office should be filled sufficiently to allow the sewerage water to pass directly through the present culvert under Church street. It is becoming a serious nuisance to the neighborhood, and the filling would be preparatory for the main sewer.

SCHOOLS.

Our schools, under the present system, are attaining a high standard, through the efficient management of the School Board.

The two new buildings now in process of erection, one on North street, and one on Union street, when completed, will give far better and more ample accommodations for the scholars than heretofore.

CRIMINAL AND POLICE DEPARTMENT.

There seems to be a want of proper rules and regulation in this important department. I would suggest that an enquiry be instituted, to ascertain if there cannot be an improvement effected, whereby the expenses might be lessened, and the department brought to a more perfect system.

WATER WORKS.

The additional independent main in process of construction, should be completed as soon as possible, which, when done, will give us two mains from the pumping house to the Reservoir. This will insure us against any liability of being cut off from an ample supply of water.

The city assumed the working of the pumping house on the first of January, 1874.

I doubt the economy of this system. I would recommend that the subject be investigated by the Water Committee, and, if thought advisable, advertise for tenders for doing this work; for I believe, as a general rule, such work can be performed by an individual at a much less expense than by a corporation.

PARKS.

The City Park has been neglected too long. It should be graded and curbed, enclosing so much of the grounds as belongs to the city.

The estimates made by my predecessor for this purpose, and the Battery, may be sufficient. I would advise that these grounds be placed in charge of a Committee, either the street or a special one, and the work be commenced as soon as practicable.

I wish to call attention especially to the dyke on the west side of the Battery. Some places need raising in order to guard against serious damage from wash-outs.

There is being an effort made to improve the College Park. I am informed a considerable amount of funds have been raised by private subscription, but it is thought that there will not be sufficient for the purpose. It would seem highly proper that the city should render reasonable aid to this object, if the condition of our finances will warrant. It is our largest Park, and if properly improved might be made a great ornament to the city.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

This department appears, from the Chief Engineer's report, to be generally in excellent condition.

The Howard Hose Company should have suitable accommodations for taking care of their hose cart and hose.

There is a strong desire expressed for a Central Hose House, which ought to receive attention, as it may not only be of great convenience but economy.

The firemen are to be commended for their efficiency, and the great promptness with which they respond to all calls for their services.

The expenses of the department have been large the past year, but this is considerably owing to new buildings for hose carts, &c. Each of the several companies should try, under the present condition of affairs, to make the expenses as light as possible.

THE POOR HOUSE AND FARM.

The house and out-buildings on the farm, are in very good repair. The cleanliness and good order in-doors, show care and thoughtfulness for the inmates, and the general appearance of the farm, stock, &c., is a credit to all connected with this department.

CITY MARKET.

The City Market has come back into the possession of the City.

There is now pending a proposition to lease it for a term of years for Market purposes. If I understand fully the lessee's intention, the arrangement would doubtless prove satisfactory to all parties. Should this fail of being consummated, however, I suggest that it be rented for market purposes at such rates as will tend to fill the building, and keep it occupied. If this policy should be adopted, the general trade would become centered there permanently, and not till then. Next, if the building should appear to have more room than will be required for the next few years for market purposes, I would recommend the removal of the City offices from under the City Hall to the market building. There can be suitable accommodations arranged at a small expense, and the rooms vacated under the City Hall could be rented at such rates as would be of advantage to the City.

FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

Our City has long felt the want of a free Library. The public should, and no doubt do, realize the great obligations they are under to Mrs. Mary L. Fletcher and Miss Mary M. Fletcher, for their most liberal gift of twenty thousand dollars. Ten thousand dollars of this donation is to be expended in the purchase of books for the establishment of a Free Library in this City, to be called the Fletcher Free Library. The remaining ten thousand is to be invested; the income derived from the same to be appropriated to the increase of said Library. This, in connection with the library of the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Young Men's Association,—both of which have been generously tendered to the

Fletcher Free Library,—makes a very encouraging beginning. The upper story of the old Court House has been fitted up and arranged for the Library. The rooms are well lighted, and convenient. This building is a thoroughly substantial one, and can be made, at a moderate expense, quite attractive. The exterior presents an unsightly appearance, and should be put into a more respectable condition. The room formerly occupied by the City Grand Jurors in connection with the adjoining room, would give excellent accommodation for the Young Men's Reading Room.

IN CONCLUSION

I will only add: I trust our official intercourse may be pleasant and harmonious, and in our labors we may have always in view the present and future good of the City.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

Burlington, April 6, 1874.

Report of Superintendent of Streets.

The work in charge of the Superintendent of Streets, may be classified under three heads:

- 1st. The ordinary repairs of the streets.
- 2nd. Permanent improvement of streets.
- 3rd. Construction and repair of sewers.

The ordinary repair of the streets has required about the same expenditure as last year. The distribution of this expenditure, is shown in the accompanying table. In the southerly and southwesterly parts of the city, clay is the predominating element in the soil. In the northerly and westerly portions, the soil is light and mostly sand and gravel. It is impossible to form a tolerably good road-way with either of these kinds of material *exclusively*, but a very passable road-way may be made by a proper combination of the two.

An effort was made last year to accomplish some permanent improvements while making the ordinary repairs of the streets, by hauling clay upon some sandy streets, and sand upon some others, where the natural soil is close and tenacious. The result proved all that was expected, and the work has been continued this year upon North street, lower part of Pine street and other places.

Permanent improvements of considerable importance have been made this year. The expense of these improvements has been in part borne by the city; but by far the greater portion has been defrayed by enterprising private citizens who have preferred to make needed permanent improvements against their property *now*, rather than wait the slow and uncertain action of the city in effecting such improvements by special taxation for the purpose, or by borrowing money on bonds of the city; to both of which methods there will always be strong opposition.

If the policy that now almost universally prevails in this country, of charging permanent improvements to the streets or sidewalks, upon the abutting property, can be thoroughly

established here, there can be no reasonable question it will give great impetus to these improvements. As soon as property holders understand that when they have paid for paving, curbing and guttering the streets against their own premises, they will not be called upon, directly or indirectly, to contribute anything toward similar improvements in other parts of the city, a great many will be anxious to have the work done at once.

Especially will this be the case, when property holders come to realize fully the fact that, in the large majority of cases, such improvements increase the value of the property much more than their cost.

The principal permanent improvements made this year are the following:

Prospect street, has been graded, curbed and guttered, on the east side, and a McAdamized roadway fourteen feet wide constructed along the center, from the south line of Mial Davis' residence lot, to the north line of land of F. C. Kennedy, a distance of 603 feet. This work has been done by Messrs. Davis and Kennedy, at their expense, and is a very great improvement, not only to their own property, but to all that part of the street.

Prospect street, has been further graded, and the east side curbed and guttered from Main street, north, nearly to Pearl street.

The curbing was furnished by the College, and the balance of the expense has been borne by the city, and amounts to \$296 35. A special appropriation of \$300, was made by the City Council for this purpose.

A McAdamized roadway, fourteen feet wide, has been constructed in Pearl street from the corner of Union street, east two hundred and ninety-two feet, and between Willard street and Prospect street, against the property of Mr. Henry Loomis, 380 feet.

The first portion of this work was done on account of the very bad condition of the street, and the latter portion was done at the request of Mr. Loomis, who subscribed and paid \$380,00 towards the cost of it.

Williams street has been graded from College street to Pearl, at a cost of two hundred and sixty-seven and $\frac{49}{100}$ dollars.

Of this amount, one hundred dollars, was subscribed and paid by Miss Maria Loomis. One hundred dollars by Mr. D. C. Linsley, and the balance has been charged to the city.

The Street Department in 1873, promised certain parties on portions of Church and College streets, that it would curb and gutter the street against their properties. This agreement has been carried out this year.

Except to fill these engagements, which are now completed, no curbing has this year been furnished by the city.

College street, St. Paul street, and Main street, against the City Park, has been graded, curbed and guttered. The curbing against the City Park has been charged to the Park improvement Fund: The balance to the permanent improvement of streets.

The portion of Main street and Church street, against the Post Office, has been graded, curbed and guttered, the Government furnishing and setting the curbing.

Property owners have in many instances, proposed to furnish curbing of suitable quality against their property, provided the city would set it and pave the gutter.

These offers have in all cases been accepted, and very considerable work of this kind has been done.

The following statement shows the curbing furnished by property owners, which has been set the past season by the city:

C. F. Ward, 75 ft.; Walker Bros. & Co., $59\frac{1}{2}$ ft., and 2 driveway corners on St. Paul street.

National express Co., 27 ft., and one driveway corner on St. Paul street.

Horace Wheeler, $236\frac{1}{2}$ ft., and two driveway corners on St. Paul street.

N. Parker, $26\frac{1}{3}$ ft., on St. Paul street.

B. J. Heineberg, 140 ft. part of American Hotel front.

O. C. Stacy, $46\frac{1}{2}$ " " "

Asahel Peck, 60 feet on Main street.

Geo. H. Bigelow, 59 ft. " "

C. C. Ray, 69 ft. " "

Suitable crossings at street corners for foot passengers, are very much needed all about the city.

Twenty-two crossings have been constructed the past season of broken stone. Those first put down, were six feet wide and one foot thick, and were thought too narrow. Those put down the last of the season, were made of the same thickness, eight feet wide.

These crossings may not prove the best that can be devised; but it is believed they will answer very well, and they are comparatively inexpensive.

The following statement shows where they have been placed:

Bank street Sidewalk.		1	Crossing at Winooski Ave.	
Cherry street	"	1	"	"
College street	"	1	"	Prospect street.
" street	"	1	"	Union "
Church street	"	1	"	Pearl "
" street	"	1	"	Cherry "
Main street	"	1	"	St. Paul "
" street	"	1	"	Church "
" street	"	1	"	Union "
" street	"	1	"	Prospect "
Prospect st.	"	1	"	Main "
St. Paul st.	"	1	"	Pearl "
Maple street	"	1	"	Union "
" street	"	2	"	Willard "
Union street	"	1	"	Howard "
" street	"	1	"	Spruce "
" street	"	1	"	Adams "
" street	"	1	"	Maple "
" street	"	1	"	Main "
" street	"	1	"	College "
Willard street	"	1	"	Maple "

As will be seen by the table, very considerable work has been done upon the sidewalks in various parts of the city.

In addition to this, a good deal more than usual has been done by private citizens, and while a great work remains to be done upon the sidewalks, it is believed that some decided improvement has been made, particularly along Church street, between College and Pearl.

It has been the practice of the Department, to furnish broken stone free of charge at the crusher, to be used upon the public sidewalks, sufficient to make a walk three inches thick.

This has induced many property holders to haul it and repair the sidewalks against their property.

A substantial stone wall has been built on the north side of College street, from Battery street to Lake street, to retain the earth of the roadway. One half the expense of the work was borne by Messrs. Shepard, Davis & Co. The total cost was five hundred and sixty-nine and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars.

A little work is still required to finish the paving on College street, between St. Paul and Pine streets. The street having been so much occupied with building material throughout the season, that it was impracticable to do it.

Thirty-three hundred and three perch of stone have been crushed the past season, at a cost of seventy-nine and one half cents per perch. The crushing machinery of all kinds is in excellent condition, and has worked the entire season without breakage or accident of any kind.

SEWERS.

One hundred and thirty-six feet of the main sewer in the ravine, has been constructed between Main and Church streets, at a cost of thirteen hundred and ninety-three and $\frac{10}{100}$ dollars. The main sewer has been completed from the lake eastward, six hundred and forty feet, to the east line of Champlain street, where it connects with the old sewer.

This portion of the main sewer is circular, and six feet in diameter. The cost of the work has been seven thousand four hundred and three and $\frac{20}{100}$ dollars. The sewer has a stone facing at the lake, and is backed with solid stone work at the points where the railroad tracks cross.

Street basins have been put in at the corner of St. Paul and College streets, at the corner of St. Paul and Main streets, and at the foot of Champlain street.

The want of the sewer in Pitkin street, from North street across North Bend street, is very much felt, there being no surface drainage whatever for quite a large area, in that part of the city, and when the ground is frozen the rain and melted snow stands in large ponds, to a considerable depth, until the ground thaws and the water sinks into the porous soil. This, at times, causes great damage to the property in that section, for which it is claimed the city is liable.

As a temporary expedient, a well ten feet square is now being

sunk on the north side of North Street, and east of North Avenue, which it is hoped will furnish some relief. But the sewer in Pitkin Street should be constructed as soon as possible.

The plan for the sewerage of the entire city between North Bend Street on the north, and Spruce Street on the south, and between the College and the Lake, has been completed. This is a work of very much labor, and it is believed has been carefully and thoroughly done by the city engineer.

Had this plan been prepared before any sewers were constructed, much more than the cost of the plan would have been saved by the city in the little work already done, and I desire respectfully to urge upon the City Council the absolute necessity of adhering strictly to the dimensions and grade of the sewers given on the plan.

These dimensions and grades are not at all the expressions of the mere opinion or judgment of the engineer. They are the result of careful and laborious calculation from well established data, and if they are curtailed, incalculable mischief will surely result. The inundation of cellars from overcharged sewers, is by no means an extraordinary occurrence, and the damages resulting to a city from such overflow, especially when we consider the effect upon the health of the citizens, is not easily calculated. All experience shows that wherever a proportion of the cost of sewers is charged to the abutting property, efforts will constantly be made by property holders to have the size, and consequently the cost, of the larger sewers, reduced.

Enormous sums have been expended in this country and Europe within the present century, in attempting to remedy defective and insufficient sewerage, and if we would avoid such expenditures in the future, all attempts at curtailing the dimensions of sewers, must be firmly resisted.

Attention is again asked to the recommendation of last year that suitable buildings be provided for sheltering the animals and tools belonging to the city. The matter is one of very great importance, and should receive immediate attention. The city suffers serious loss every year from the want of such buildings.

The work done upon the City Park was done at the request and under the general direction of the Committee on Parks,

and so much of the appropriation as has been used for this purpose, has passed through this office, and hence appears in the statement.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. LINSLEY, Superintendent.

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT OF STREETS.

College St.....	\$625,55	Pearl St.....	\$1,553 73
Church St.....	889,72		

REPAIRS OF ROADWAY.

Adams St.....	\$37,36	Patchen Road.....	\$14,00
Battery St.....	2,05	Pearl St.....	235,88
Bank St.....	10,40	Pitkin St.....	28,75
Champlain St.....	1,00	Pine St.....	5,25
Cherry St.....	3,00	Prospect St.....	425,84
College St.....	674,30	Shelburn St.....	236,35
Colchester Av.....	423,76	Spear St.....	20,00
Church St.....	175,40	Summit St.....	4,50
Intervale Ave.....	35,00	Spruce St.....	107,82
King St.....	31,36	St. Paul St.....	654,31
Maple St.....	89,49	Union St.....	121,41
Main St.....	890,15	Winooski Av.....	336,18
New Road.....	14,50	Willard St.....	23,50
North Ave.....	20,51	Williams St.....	67,49
North Bend.....	21,00	Winooski Road.....	18,50
Unclassified Repairs...	730,29		

SIDEWALKS.

Bank St.....	\$12,54	Pearl St.....	\$55,03
Cherry St.....	7,22	Prospect St..	98,05
College St.....	435,17	St. Paul St.....	117,96
Church St.....	39,67	Shelburn St.....	2,99
King St.....	11,07	Spruce St.,.....	7,41
Main St.....	79,60	Union St.....	203,61
Maple St.....	27,32	Winooski Av.....	30,30
Willard St.....	15,71		

BRIDGE REPAIRS.

Heineberg Bridge.....\$8,00 Patchen Road.....\$43,74

MISCELLANEOUS.

Tools and Stock.....\$902,56

PARKS.

Battery Park.....\$10,00 College Park.....\$296,35
City Park.....641,25

SEWERS.

College St.....\$23,37 Ravine between Main
Elm St.....219,64 and Church Sts...\$1,393 10
North Bend.....409,42 Ravine from Lake east 7,403 29
Pearl St.....10,76 St. Paul Street,.. 334,14
Prospect St.....32,24 Winooski Ave.....28,24

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Permanent improvement of streets and sidewalks, ..	\$4,212 65
General repairs of streets,	5,459 35
Tools and stock,	902 56
Heineberg and Patchen road bridges,	51 74
Construction of sewers,	9,854 20
Permanent improvement of Parks,	947 60
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	\$21,428 10

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND TOOLS,

Belonging to Street Department.

Crusher buildings, at Willard's ledge; 1 Blake's patent 15x9 crusher; one No. 6 Ames portable engine; nine horses; seven new carts, one old cart; one double wagon, one business wagon; six whiffletrees, one evener, one tool cart, eight cart harnesses, one set double harness; one derrick and rigging; one heavy roller; one windlass and rigging; one ditcher, one large highway plow, two post-hole augers; three plugs for

sewer connection ; one hydrant reducer ; one spirit level ; two tamping bars, two axes ; one fine sand screen ; one branding iron ; one sewer grate ; seven new cart hubs ; one large road scraper ; one cement box ; two heavy log chains ; one boat pump ; three kerosene barrels, $\frac{2}{3}$ bbl. tar, one tar pot ; ten trace chains, eight draft hooks, one halter chain, two set clevis chains, two short heavy chains ; one water hhd ; three set of single blocks and tripods, two pair shears, one single block ; one pair bits ; two new pick handles ; two snow plows ; two new plates for crusher ; two belt punches ; seven padlocks and keys ; one furnace chisel, two furnace rakes ; one funnel ; three kerosene lamps ; three handsaws ; one piece screen wire 6x2 ; two garden rakes ; one horse pail, one feed box ; one two-tined fork, one three-tined fork, one four-tined fork ; three stable brooms ; eight lanterns ; two plow handles ; twenty-four $\frac{3}{4}$ inch washers ; two neck yokes ; three snow shovels ; one hay cutter ; one maul ; one box for weighing crushed stone ; seven wheelbarrows ; three hundred and twenty feet of grading line ; six $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. oil cans, one 1 gallon oil can, one 2 gallon oil can, two oilers ; nine water pails ; three horse brushes, one sponge, two curry combs ; one dipper ; five wrenches, two monkey wrenches ; two sledges, two nail hammers ; twenty-six picks ; twenty-nine long handle pointed shovels, six spades, eleven long handle square pointed shovels, three scoop shovels ; three water spouts ; one pair of rubber boots ; one screw driver ; one two-inch pet valve ; one mallet ; one fifty ft. Chesterman metallic tape, one sixty-six ft. Chesterman metallic tape ; one small hose nozzle ; six halters ; two wagon jacks ; three bags ; forty-nine centers for sewers ; five bars ; one water faucet ; one tack hammer ; five tool boxes ; five hundred and fifty feet $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch hose ; two steel hammers, one striking hammer ; one scraper.

OFFICE FURNITURE, &c.

One table, three chairs, one stove, one coal hod, two ink stands, one pen sponge and holder, one counting sponge and holder, one mucilage stand, two pocket ink stands, four pen holders, $\frac{1}{2}$ gross Spencerian pens, $\frac{1}{2}$ gross Burl. pens, one box paper fasteners, one letter folder, two erasers, one Cleg's con-

cave ruler, one rubber ruler, one drawing pen, one copying brush and basin, one paper clip, one dust broom, one sprinkler, one basin, three towels, one broom, one feather duster, one dust-pan, one stencil brush, one waste paper basket, $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle copying ink, $\frac{3}{4}$ bottle violet ink, one cash book, one pay-roll book, one check book, one copy book, three hundred blank vouchers, eighty blank letter heads, one hundred and twenty-five blank pay-rolls, thirty blank weekly statements expenditure, one hundred and fifty letter envelopes, one hundred and seventy-five large envelopes, two hundred and twenty-five pay envelopes, one box rubber bands, No. 2, $1\frac{1}{2}$ dozen large rubber bands.

MATERIALS ON HAND.

80 perch crushed stone,	\$85.60
528 feet plank,	8.45
1,072 feet square timber,	17.15
252 feet of boards,	3.02
120 three inch tile,	2.04
1,230 two inch tile,	15.99
1,000 brick,	9.00
1 ton hay,	14.50
1,400 cwt. of straw,	7.70
1,000 lbs. of feed,	19.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ ton grate coal,	3.75
1,200 feet of plank for Winooski bridge,	19.20
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	\$205.40

STREETS, AND SIDEWALKS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By balance on hand January 1st, 1874,		\$67.50
“ amount as per statement City Treasurer,		11,822.71
“ “ sundry bills collected,		2,317.33
“ “ uncollected bills curbing, crus. stone, &c.,		493.13
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		\$14,700.67
Less amount voluntary subscriptions towards road- way repairs,		580 ..
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		\$14,120.67

To amount expended on streets and side-		
walks, as per statement,	\$9,723.74	
“ “ tools and stock account, charge-		
able to streets,	451.28	
“ “ Walker Bros. & Co., bill curbing		
(unpaid,)	303.65	
“ “ Walker Bros. & Co., bill curbing		
used for sundry individuals,		
(unpaid,)	498.53	
“ “ expended for labor and material		
for sundry individuals,	<u>1,553.51</u>	<u>12,530.71</u>
		\$1,589.96

SEWERS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By am't as per statement City Treasurer, .		\$11,269.91
To am't expended on Sewers, as per state-		
ment,	\$9,854.20	
“ “ tools and stock account, charge-		
able to sewers,	451.28	
“ “ Walker Bros. & Co., bill cut stone,		
(unpaid,)	<u>224.15</u>	<u>10,529.63</u>
		\$740.28

PARKS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By am't as per statement City Treasurer, .		\$2,090.62
To am't expended, as per statement,	947.60	
“ “ Walker Bros. & Co. bill curbing City		
Park, (unpaid,)	537.95	
“ “ A. Taylor's bill, (unpaid,)	<u>35.00</u>	<u>1,520.55</u>
		\$570.07

Street Department.

CASH ACCOUNT.

January 1st, 1875.

1874.

Jan'y	1	Amount on hand,	\$ 67,50
May	2	Received G. D. Weller,	500,..
	2	" P. T. Sweet, am't bill rendered,	11,90
	2	" J. G. Reed, " "	1,25
	6	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	500,..
	19	" Daniel Kern, amount bill rend.	42,02
	19	" Theo. A. Hopkins, drain tile,	,70
	22	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1,000,..
	30	" " "	500,..
June	2	" " "	1,000,..
	5	" S. Huntington, amt. bill rendered,	1,..
	5	" W. H. Waters, " "	1,25
	5	" James Lewis, " "	1,25
	5	" D. C. Barber & Co., " "	7,92
	6	" Eli Chittenden, drain tile,	,84
	9	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1,000,..
July	10	" " "	1,000,..
	20	" " "	1,000,..
	27	" " "	1,000,..
Aug.	8	" " "	1,000,..
	18	" " "	1,000,..
	20	" Henry Loomis, subscription to- wards improvement of Williams Street,	100,..
	20	" D. C. Linsley, part subscription towards improvement of Wil- liams Street,	50,..
	24	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1,000,..
Sept.	5	" " "	1,000,..
	14	" " "	1,000,..
	15	" M. Davis, setting curbing,	5,25

Sept. 17	Received,	G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1,000,.
19	"	A. S. Johnson, drain tile,	1,23
28	"	G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1,000,..
Oct. 2	"	M. Davis, setting curbing,	4,25
5	"	G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	2,000,..
12	"	" " "	1,500,..
12	"	D. C. Linsley, part subscription towards improvement of Wil- liams Street,	48,33
19	"	G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1,000,..
Nov. 2	"	" " "	1,000,..
16	"	" " "	1,000,..
17	"	J. Black, old plank,	4,..
18	"	Henry Loomis, subscription to- wards McAdamizing 380 feet roadway in Pearl Street,	380,..
18	"	D. C. Linsley, bal. subscription towards improvement of Wil- liams Street,	1,67
21	"	Theo. A. Hopkins, drain tile,	1,47
23	"	G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1,000,..
23	"	William Zottman, making sewer connection,	1,..
23	"	H. Salls, amt. bill rend.,	1,09
28	"	B. J. Heineberg, bill curb. rend.,	81,17
28	"	National Express Co., bill curb- ing rendered,	19,16
Dec. 7	"	Mial Davis, crushed stone,	884,74
10	"	Shepard, Davis & Co., one-half cost stone wall north side Col- lege Street,	284,75
22	"	M. W. Hosmer, sidewalk mater'l,	2,12
21	"	N. Parker, bill curbing rend.,	15,27
23	"	Asahel Peck, amt. bill curbing rendered,	34,80
30	"	J. E. Goodrich, amt. bill sidewalk material,	1,46
31	"	Sale of Manure,	15,..
	"	Geo. L. Linsley, amt. bill crushed stone,	9,77

Received of O. C. Stacy, amt. bill curbing,	27,05
“ Walker Bros., & Co., amt. bill curbing and labor,	94,89
“ N. Bacon, amt. bill drain tile,	2,13
“ D. C. Linsley, amt. bill hay and hauling,	18,44
“ C. F. Ward, amt. bill curbing,	43,50
“ U. V. M. and S. A. College, bill crushed stone,	105,16
“ D. C. Linsley, amount bill use of horse B. & L. R. R. Survey,	11,50
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	\$24,384,83

1874. AMOUNT EXPENDED AS FOLLOWS:

Voucher No. 1, Pay Roll Jan. 1st to 3d, inclusive,	\$ 16,19
“ 2, “ week ending Jan. 10th,	44,24
“ 3, “ “ 17th,	33,65
“ 4, “ “ 24th,	33,88
“ 5, “ “ 31st,	32,38
“ 6, John Lowry, bill painting carts,	21,..
“ 7, Pay Roll week ending Feb'y 7th,	22,38
“ 8, “ “ 14th,	22,38
“ 9, “ “ 21st,	22,38
“ 10, “ “ 28th,	25,38
“ 11, “ “ Mar. 7th,	24,63
“ 12, “ “ 14th,	28,..
“ 13, “ “ 21st,	29,13
“ 14, “ “ 28th,	29,13
“ 15, Central Vt. Railroad, freight,	12,20
“ 16, Pay Roll week ending April 4th,	32,49
“ 17, “ “ 11th,	32,87
“ 18, “ “ 18th,	56,81
“ 19, “ “ 25th,	135,46
“ 20, “ “ May 2d,	63,88
“ 21, D. C. Linsley, bill services as Supt.	233,33
“ 22, F. Hadley, bill straw,	36,02
“ 23, Poore Bros., bill stove, etc.,	10,75
“ 24, Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	2,70

Voucher No.	25	R. S. Styles, bill pay rolls, etc.,	6 30
"	26	S. Huntington & Co., bill stationery,	3 16
"	27	G. S. Blodgett & Co., bill stove pipe, etc.,	2 63
"	28	Pay Roll week ending May 9th,	176 40
"	29	" " " 16th,	191 06
"	30	G. F. Collison & Co., bill work at crusher,	18 03
"	31	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	33 45
"	32	" "	26 ..
"	33	" "	129 18
"	34	" "	31 ..
"	35	Smith & Bagley, bill heavy wagon body,	153 50
"	36	G. N. Willard, bill blacksmithing,	21 43
"	37	Shepard, Davis & Co., bill lumber,	5 42
"	38	" " "	10 97
"	39	M. Thompson, bill printing,	6 ..
"	40	Ira J. Flanagan, bill snowing bridge,	8 ..
"	41	Converse & Cushman, bill horse hire,	2 50
"	42	H. S. Lane, bill halters, &c.,	10 95
"	43	A. G. Strong, bill tools, etc.,	11 39
"	44	Pay Roll week ending May 23,	165 04
"	45	F. Hadley, bill hay and straw,	89 90
"	46	Pay Roll week ending May 30,	200 23
"	47	Burl. Post Office, bill box rent,	1 ..
"	48	U. Blair, bill cartage,	1 50
"	49	" "	1 50
"	50	P. Lander, "	1 25
"	51	" "	1 ..
"	52	C. H. Clark, bill paid sundries,	1 85
"	53	A. Comstock, bill straw,	4 54
"	54	Pay Roll week ending June 6th,	221 10
"	55	C. R. Nash, bill hay,	47 50
"	56	A. G. Peirce, bill tools and oil,	17 17
"	57	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed,	38 50
"	58	" bill hay and oats,	24 54
"	59	" bill feed,	37 50
"	60	" bill hay and oats,	25 51

Voucher No.61	Abbot, Downing Co., bill running	
	part double wagon,	175 ..
" 62	Henry Arnold, bill set double harness,	71 ..
" 63	C. H. Clark, bill clerical services,	60 ..
" 64	E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	8 00
" 65	B. S. Nichols & Co., bill castings and	
	repairs,	23 64
" 66	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher,	50 ..
" 67	" " "	22 50
" 68	D. C. Linsley, bill services as Supt.,	58 33
" 69	Thos. Hart, bill hay,	14 71
" 70	Pay Roll week ending June 13th,	173 53
" 71	H. G. Willard, bill rent of barn,	30 ..
" 72	Pay Roll week ending June 20,	185 60
" 73	" " " 27,	190 ..
" 74	Wm. A. Seymour, bill straw,	10 80
" 75	James A. Shedd, bill hay,	21 25
" 76	W. E. Weller, bill cotton cloth,	4 75
" 77	C. H. Clark, bill paid cartage, etc.,	2 35
" 78	Pay Roll week ending July 4,	227 05
" 79	Brink & Co., bill castings,	40 50
" 80	Shepard, Davis & Co., bill lumber,	5 42
" 81	J. W. Hayes, bill kindling wood for	
	crusher,	5 00
" 82	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher,	22 50
" 83	A. G. Strong, bill tools, etc.,	13 58
" 84	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats,	52 ..
" 85	" " "	36 ..
" 86	F. Hadley, bill,	62 60
" 87	D. C. Linsley, bill services mo. June,	58 33
" 88	B. S. Nichols & Co., bill castings,	66 99
" 89	G. N. Willard, bill blacksmithing,	40 63
" 90	R. B. Stearns & Co., bill sundries,	2 01
" 91	H. C. Smith, bill horse hire,	1 50
" 92	C. W. Lippitt, bill oats,	30 00
" 93	Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	10 75
" 94	Pay Roll week ending July 11,	268 44
" 95	Geo. I. Hagar, bill oil, etc.,	4 40
" 96	Central Vermont R. R., bill freight	
	wagon,	5 80

"	97	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal and posts,	18 20
"	98	Pay Roll week ending July 18,	363 87
"	99	Smith & Bagley, bill repairing cart,	40 ..
"	100	W. H. Pollard, bill attending horses,	4 75
"	101	C. W. Lippitt, bill hay and feed,	30 10
"	102	" " oats,	15 ..
"	103	E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	4 ..
"	104	Converse & Cushman, bill horse hire, etc.,	5 75
"	105	Winooski Lumber Co., bill timber, etc.,	40 65
"	106	Shepard, Davis & Co., bill lumber,	22 28
"	107	J. W. Hayes, bill kindling wood to crusher,	2 50
"	108	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher,	7 50
"	109	Ripley Sons, bill cement pipe,	102 71
"	110	H. Roby & Bros., bill carpent'r work,	40 24
"	111	C. W. Lippitt, bill hay and oats,	23 71
"	111	Geo. L. Linsley, bill egg coal,	15 ..
"	113	E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	180 ..
"	114	B. S. Nichols & Co., bill chilled castings,	142 32
"	115	B. S. Nichols & Co., bill castings,	97 39
"	116	Wm. Scott, bill time books, etc.,	13 50
"	117	P. T. Sweet, bill setting st. lights,	8 65
"	118	" " repairs,	3 00
"	119	G. N. Willard, bill hay,	7 44
"	120	Pay Roll week ending July 25th,	513 61
"	121	A. J. Hathaway, bill rep'r bridge, etc.,	11 50
"	122	James Wakefield, bill moving derrick,	10 ..
"	123	Pay Roll week ending Aug. 1st,	411 61
"	124	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher,	30 ..
"	125	A. G. Strong, bill tools, etc.,	37 65
"	126	A. Laduke, bill horse hire,	2 ..
"	127	Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe,	55 63
"	128	C. W. Lippitt, bill hay and feed,	61 08
"	129	Bronsons, Weston, Greene & Co., bill lumber,	89 46
"	130	P. T. Sweet, bill setting st. lights,	6 94
"	131	D. C. Linsley, bill services July,	58 33
"	132	Pay Roll week ending Aug. 8th,	483 24
"	133	J. Wakefield, bill mov. derrick, etc.,	24 50

Vouch.No.	134	Ripley Sons, bill cement pipe,	9 59
"	135	Bronsons, Weston, Greene & Co., bill lumber,	50 26
"	136	Merchants Nat. Bank, interest,	14 40
"	137	Pay Roll week ending Aug. 15,	518 25
"	138	O. Pattridge, bill straw,	6 51
"	139	P. H. Catlin, bill hay,	4 58
"	140	Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., bill tar,	6 75
"	141	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats,	36 .
"	142	" " "	47 21
"	143	Pay Roll week ending Aug. 22,	462 17
"	144	Walker Bros., & Co., bill curbing,	400 .
"	145	Pay Roll week ending Aug. 29,	540 74
"	146	C. W. Lippitt, bill oats,	31 50
"	147	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal and posts,	16 40
"	148	" " "	23 15
"	149	H. Salls, bill paid centers,	25 55
"	150	John O'Mara, bill express wagon,	65 .
"	151	Ripley Sons, bill cement pipe,	19 75
"	152	C. H. Clark, bill paid sundries,	2 33
"	153	H. G. Willard, bill paid freight,	2 38
"	154	L. Robarge, bill cartage,	1 .
"	155	D. C. Linsley, bill services August,	58 33
"	156	F. LeClair, bill brick,	360 .
"	157	R. S. Styles & Son, bill print. blanks,	11 28
"	158	Pay Roll week ending Sept. 5,	500 73
"	159	G. N. Willard, bill loose stone,	91 84
"	160	L. A. & A. A. Drew, bill hay and straw,	33 91
"	161	L. Lavigne, bill haul. crushed stone,	22 67
"	162	H. S. Lane, bill harness repairs,	5 20
"	163	J. W. Hayes, bill kindling wood to crusher,	9 00
"	164	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats,	35 .
"	165	A. G. Strong, bill tools, etc.,	27 98
"	166	P. T. Sweet, bill sundries,	6 10
"	167	E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	179 25
"	168	Pay Roll week ending Sept. 12,	642 55
"	169	G. N. Willard, bill stone and reprs.,	72 41
"	170	A Comstock, bill hay,	52 73
"	171	J. V. S. Maeck, bill hay,	28 99

Vouch.No.	172	H. A. Ray, bill put. braces on carts,	21 ..
"	173	Pay Roll week ending Sept. 19,	577 37
"	174	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats,	42 00
"	175	" " " oats,	12 ..
"	176	Geo. I. Hagar, bill oil, etc.,	5 25
"	177	Winooski Lumber Co., bill timber,	129 47
"	178	Albert G. Peirce, bill barrows, etc.,	35 43
"	179	Williams, Page & Co., bill R. R. cart,	65 00
"	180	Bronsons, Weston, Greene & Co., bill lumber,	57 84
"	181	B. S. Nichols & Co., bill waste, etc.	4 75
"	182	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher.	7 50
"	183	" " "	22 50
"	184	Luther Whitney, bill timber.	158 30
"	185	Pay Roll week ending Sept. 26.	654 66
"	186	F. L. Lavigne, bill exch. on horse.	175 ..
"	187	D. C. Linsley, bill services mo. Sept.	58 33
"	188	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats.	41 50
"	189	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher,	15 ..
"	190	Nash & Wardlow, bill hoze nozzle.	2 00
"	191	H. Salls, bill paid sunds.	6 10
"	192	Converse & Cushman, bill ice del.	6 00
"	193	G. N. Willard, bill blacksmithing.	28 18
"	194	" " " stone.	232 81
"	195	E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement.	175 ..
"	196	" " "	175 ..
"	197	F. LeClair, bill brick.	355 20
"	198	Brink & Co., bill castings.	188 14
"	199	Pay Roll week ending Oct. 3d.	628 50
"	200	A. Comstock, bill hay.	57 30
"	201	G. N. Willard, bill loose stone.	38 30
"	202	Pay Roll week ending Oct. 10.	534 09
"	203	A. G. Strong, bill tools, etc.	14 76
"	204	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal.	15 00
"	205	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats,	48 ..
"	205	W. H. Pollard, bill cond. powd. etc.	10 50
"	207	H. G. Willard, bill rent of barn.	15 00
"	208	Central Vermont R. R., bill freight cart.	6 80
"	209	Pay Roll week ending Oct. 17th.	489 59

Vouch.No.	210	C. W. Lippitt, bill oats.	19 50
"	211	Shepard, Davis & Co., bill lumber,	80 14
"	212	E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	175 ..
"	213	Albert Drew, bill rubber boots cln. basins.	4 00
"	214	Pay Roll week ending Oct. 24.	559 75
"	215	Pay Roll week ending Oct. 31.	599 21
"	216	G. N. Willard, bill blacksmithing.	20 55
"	217	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher.	7 50
"	218	" " "	22 50
"	219	" " "	15 ..
"	220	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats.	35 ..
"	221	C. W. Lippitt, bill oats.	13 00
"	222	G. N. Willard, bill stone to sewer.	50 ..
"	223	Pay Roll week ending Nov. 7.	524 36
"	224	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher.	24 50
"	225	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats.	35 00
"	226	A. G. Peirce, bill sundries.	20 61
"	227	H. Salls, bill paid centers, etc.	10 09
"	228	J. W. Hayes, bill kindling wood to crusher.	22 ..
"	229	Williams, Page & Co., bill cart hubs and collar,	51 60
"	230	R. S. Styles & Son, bill voucher blanks.	4 00
"	231	D. C. Linsley, bill services mo. Oct.	53 33
"	232	A. G. Strong, bill tools, etc.	14 68
"	233	G. N. Willard, bill loose stone.	59 57
"	234	J W Pratt, bill straw.	11 40
"	235	F. LeClair, bill brick.	606 40
"	236	G. N. Willard, bill laying part wall north side College Street.	250 ..
"	237	J. W. & H. W. Brown, bill brick.	547 14
"	238	Pay Roll week ending Nov. 14.	308 37
"	239	Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe.	26 52
"	240	Ripley Sons, bill sewer pipe.	12 50
"	241	C. H. Clark, bill paid sundries.	8 17
"	242	Mathews & Davis, bill plank.	2 25
"	243	Blake Crusher Co., bill rubber spring.	2 50
"	244	W. E. Weller, bill towels, etc.	1 40
"	245	Ripley & Holton, bill belt lacings.	1 06

Vouch.No.	246	S. Huntington & Co., bill stationery.	3 67
"	247	Louis Lavigne, bill hal. crush. stone.	2 88
"	248	Pay Roll week ending Nov. 21.	231 81
"	249	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal.	45 ..
"	250	S. Huntington & Co., bill stationery.	7 80
"	251	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats.	48 00
"	252	Pay Roll week ending Nov. 28.	139 50
"	253	P. T. Sweet, bill sundries.	14 13
"	254	H. S. Lane, bill harness repairs.	7.03
"	255	John Black, bill rent of carts.	25 50
"	556	G. N. Willard, bill stone to sewer.	7 50
"	257	Smith & Bagley, bill cart repairs, etc.	8 05
"	258	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher.	7 50
"	259	Shepard, Davis & Co., bill lumber.	52 32
"	260	Bronsons, Weston, Greene & Co., bill lumber.	13 60
"	261	E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement.	141
"	262	H. Roby & Bros., bill carpenter work.	24 94
"	263	Pay Roll week ending Dec. 5.	138 20
"	264	G. N. Willard, bill blacksmithing.	21 63
"	265	D. C. Linsley, bill services mo. Nov.	58 33
"	266	A. G. Strong, bill nails, etc.	3 60
"	267	C. W. Lippitt, bill oats.	13 ..
"	268	G. N. Willard, bill bal. constructing stone wall N S College street.	319 50
"	269	Pay Roll week ending Dec. 12.	113 24
"	270	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed and oats.	35 00
"	271	Geo. I. Hagar, bill sundries.	15 03
"	272	W. H. Pollard, bill attending horses.	2 75
"	273	J. W. Hayes, bill wood to crusher.	2 50
"	274	Pay Roll week ending Dec. 19.	36 99
"	275	C. W. Lippitt, bill oats.	14 ..
"	276	G. N. Willard, bill loose stone.	14 88
"	277	Edson Bliss, bill straw.	13 64
"	278	Williams, Page & Co., bill cart axle.	7 50
"	279	Elizabeth Corcoran, bill manure.	3 ..
"	280	C. H. Clark, bill paid sunds.	3 70
"	281	Burl. Gas light Co., bill gas.	1 71
"	282	Pay Roll week ending Dec. 26.	95 49
"	283	J. Maeck, bill hay.	72 09

Vouch.No.	284	Brink & Co., bill crusher plates.	13	12
"	285	H. G. Willard, bill rent of barn.	18	..
"	286	C. W. Lippitt, bill feed.	19	..
"	287	O. Sinclear, bill straw.	24	37
"	288	Geo. L. Linsley, bill coal to crusher.	7	50
"	289	B. S. Nichols & Co., bill waste, etc.	3	..
"	290	Central Vt. RR. bill freight cart hubs.	2	87
"	291	D. C. Linsley, bill services mo. Dec.	58	33
"	292	Pay Roll week ending Dec. 31.	92	20
"	293	G. N. Willard, bill repairs, manure, etc.	35	43
"	294	D. C. Linsley, bill manure.	12	75
"	295	A. G. Peirce, bill oil.	10	60
"	296	Shepard, Davis & Co., bill lumber.	10	93
"	297	S. Huntington & Co. bill station'y.	2	18
"	298	A. G. Strong, bill snow shovel.	1	00
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			\$23,578 88	

Having examined the accounts and vouchers of D. C. Linsley, Superintendent of Streets, from January 1st, 1874, to January 1st, 1875, and found them correct in all their details, we recapitulate, as follows :

Balance on hand January 1st, 1874,.....	\$67.50	Dr.
Amount of appropriations, from sale of bonds, and taxes,.....	25,183.24	
Amount of bills collected,.....	2,317.33	
Amount of bills uncollected,	510.40	
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Amount as per vouchers,	\$23,578.88	Cr.
Amount unpaid bills,	1,599.28	
Amount cash to balance,	2,900.31	
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		\$28,078.47

M. MULQUEEN, }
M. A. EVARTS, } Auditors.

REPORT

OF THE

*Superintendent of Schools.**To the Honorable the City Council of Burlington:*

GENTLEMEN:—In obedience to the requirements of the City Charter, I herewith submit my annual report of the School Department for the fiscal year 1874.

FINANCES.

The total amount of money received during the year for school purposes has been as follows:

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1874, as per last report,	\$2,428 97
“ received for interest on U. S. deposit fund	1,906 80
“ “ “ U. S. Bonds	148 46
“ “ “ Tuition of non-residents	22 ..
“ “ “ Rents collected,	188 05
“ “ “ Taxes during the year,	21,534 73
	<u>\$26,229 01</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

The amount paid out for all purposes during the year in maintaining the schools, has been as follows:

Salaries of Teachers,	\$14,670 17
Salary of Music teacher,	637 ..
“ of Superintendent,	1,000 ..
Janitors and cleaning,	974 92
Repairs,	566 91
Fuel,	995 10
Apparatus, charts, &c.	32 75
Incidentals,	547 17
Supplies,	473 08
Furniture,	70 50

Census,	141 20
Water,	34 ..
Evening schools,	157 ..
Insurance,	281 99
New furniture,	2,251 19
	<u>\$22,892 98</u>

Interest on temporary loan from Burlington Savings

Bank, pending collection of taxes, \$148 77

\$23,041 75

Showing a balance to the credit of the School Fund, \$3,187 26

From the foregoing statement, it will be seen that the expenses of the schools during the past year, exclusive of the amount paid for new furniture for the new buildings, has been \$20,641 79, or nearly one thousand dollars more than during the previous year,

In explanation of the increased expense, it may be stated that more teachers have been employed, and more pupils instructed since the new buildings were completed.

A portion of the surplus above shown to the credit of the school fund, has been used in the completion of the new buildings, as will appear by reference to another part of this report.

The amount required to complete the furnishing of those buildings, including unpaid bills of about seven hundred dollars, will be about 2,000 dollars, which, added to the estimate for current expenses, will necessitate the levy of 50 per cent. taxation on the grand list the coming year for school purposes.

ESTIMATES FOR 1875.

The finance committee have approved the following estimates of receipts and expenses for the year 1875:

RECEIPTS.

Cash to credit School Fund Dec. 31, '74, .. \$3,187.26

Less amount transferred to Building Fund,

and used in completing new buildings, .. 1,769.47

Say cash in treasury, \$1,417.79

For interest on United States Deposit Fund, 1,900...

For rents, and interest on U. S. Bonds, say....;... 300...

For taxes, 50 per cent. on grand list, say 20,500...

\$24,117.79

DISBURSEMENTS.

Teachers' salaries,	\$16,000 ..
Music teachers' salaries,	650 ..
Superintendent's salary,	1,000 ..
Janitors and cleaning,	1,000 ..
Repairs,	600 ..
Fuel,	1,000 ..
Apparatus, Charts, &c.,	100 ..
Incidentals,	600 ..
Supplies,	600 ..
Insurance,	200 ..
Furniture,	250 ..
Furniture for new houses, including unpaid bills of \$700,	1,500 ..
Census,	150 ..
Water rents,	100 ..
Evening Schools,	150 ..
Interest, pending collection of taxes,	200 ..
	\$24,100 ..

NEW HOUSES.

The new school building on North street, has been named by the Board of School Commissioners, the "Pomeroy School House," in honor of Hon. John N. Pomeroy, an old and highly esteemed citizen of Burlington; and that on Union street, the "Adams School House," in honor of Hon. J. S. Adams, formerly Secretary of the State Board of Education, and a former resident of this city.

The buildings were begun during the year 1873, and finished in the month of August last, and occupied by the schools in September. They are substantially built—in size 45 by 78 feet, two stories and basement—of brick, with slate roofs, surmounted with suitable towers for bells.

They were constructed under the immediate supervision of the committee on school houses, and superintended by competent builders—Rodney Roby having charge of the Pomeroy building, and Wm. H. Townsend of the Adams building.

They are similar in construction,—designed for primary schools on the first floor, and intermediate schools on the second. Each school room is designed to accommodate one hundred pupils.

Apprehending that the present wants of the city would not require all the rooms to be furnished, the Committee only placed eighty desks, instead of one hundred, in each room—furnished only one recitation room in each department, and employed two teachers for each school.

Already one department is full, another teacher required, and another recitation room required to be furnished, and the Board confidently expect a demand for the full capacity of the houses during the next year.

COST OF THE BUILDINGS.

The entire cost of the buildings, including the grading and fencing of the grounds, is as follows:

ADAMS BUILDING.

Amount paid in 1873, as per last report,.....	\$9,745 95	
Amount paid in 1874,.....	<u>3,530 40</u>	
		\$13,276 35

POMEROY BUILDING.

Amount paid in 1873.....	\$2,938 91	
“ “ 1874.....	<u>9,522 67</u>	\$12,461 58
Total cost exclusive of grounds.....		\$25,737 93

In payment for the same, the Board have made use of the following means:

Received from U. S. Deposit Fund,.....	\$14,234 22
“ “ Wm. Fitzgerald, Smith's Lane lot,	1,871 57
“ “ Allen & Greene Maiden Lane lot,	2,000 00
“ “ H. W. Smith & Son, Champlain street lot,.....	1,962 67
“ “ Corporation U. V. M. and S. A. C. Colchester ave.....	1,500 00
“ “ City of Burlington, Shelburn st.,	900 00
	<u>\$22,468 46</u>
Leaving a deficit of.....	3,269 47

which the Board have paid in the following manner, viz:

Amount transferred from School Fund, \$1,769 47	
“ borrowed from Burlington Savings Bank,.....	<u>1,500 00</u>
	\$3,269 47

The Board have been offered fifteen hundred dollars for the Cherry street property, which is not required for school purposes. Although that sum would cancel the debt to the Savings Bank, and leave the Building Fund free from debt, they declined the offer, believing the property was worth more.

The present condition of the School Fund is,

cash in treasury,.....\$1,417 79

That of the Building Fund, as follows:

Due the Savings Bank,.....\$1,500 00

OLD HOUSES.

Since the last report, the School Commissioners have recommended, and the City Council authorized and caused to be effected, sales of the following school property not needed for school purposes:

Maiden Lane property to Allen & Greene, for	\$2,000 00
Champlain st. " to H. W. Smith & Son,	1,962 67
Colchester ave. " Corp'n U. V. M. and S.	
A. C. for.....	1,500 00
Shelburn st. " City of Burlington for	900 00
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	\$6,362 67

and the proceeds thereof have been used in construction of the new buildings.

There yet remains to be sold, the property on Cherry street, valued at about two thousand dollars, which is more than sufficient to meet the outstanding demand against the building fund.

UNGRADED SCHOOLS.

The building on the corner of Main and Union streets, should be retained by the school department for an ungraded day and evening school. There is a growing demand for an ungraded day school to be kept open during the entire school year.

Pupils are falling from their classes at almost every monthly examination, and without some such advantages as are afforded by an ungraded school where their imperfect lessons may be made up, they must enter the next lower class and repeat

a whole year's work, which would often be unnecessary under the system proposed.

As the case now stands, a pupil seldom recovers his position in his class after once losing it.

Another and much larger demand, comes from those who can only attend school during a few months in the year, and consequently cannot be confined to any definite course of study.

This class is largely made up of those who labor during the summer months and attend school in the winter. In many large cities an ungraded school is kept open during the year in connection with graded and normal schools, with results decidedly satisfactory.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Upon the completion and occupancy of the new buildings, it became necessary to re-district the city, with reference to the accommodation of the public in attendance upon the different schools; this has been done with the following result:

The City is divided into Six School Districts, as follows:

North and Murray Street District embraces all that section north of Pearl Street—not including residents on the north line of Pearl Street,—and west of Locust Street, and a line of Locust Street extended north to the River; thence westerly to the north line of Lake View Cemetery, and to the Lake, and bounded west by the Lake.

Pomeroy District, begins at the corner of Pearl and Locust Streets; thence along Pearl street to Winooski Avenue; thence along Winooski Avenue to College Street; thence along the line of College Street, extended, to East Avenue; thence along East Avenue in a direct line northerly to the River; thence along the River to the boundary of the North and Murray Street District; thence in a direct line to the place of beginning.

Pine Street District is bounded by Pearl Street on the north,—including residents on the north line of Pearl Street,—by White Street on the east, by King Street on the south, and the Lake on the west.

Adams District, embraces all of the Fifth Ward, except

that portion between Main and King Streets, also that portion of the Fourth Ward east of Winooski Avenue and south of College Street extended to East Avenue.

Falls District, embraces all east of East Avenue, extended north to the River.

North Avenue District embraces all north of North and Murray Street District from Lake View Cemetery.

TEACHERS.

The greatest number of teachers employed at any one time during the year, was thirty-four: at different times, including temporary supplies in case of sickness, forty-four have been employed. During the same time, several new teachers have been employed to supply the new buildings, and to fill vacancies caused by resignations. Two have been chosen from our State Normal Schools; two from Oswego Normal School; one from Buffalo Normal School. One was a graduate from Vassar College; one from a College in Wisconsin, and three were graduates from our City High School.

Some of our teachers have been in the department seven or eight years, and nearly all hold State or Institute certificates, or are graduates from the best institutions in the country; and what is far better than any diploma or certificate, they show that they have the love of the pupils, the confidence and esteem of the parents, the ability to govern, and the capacity to teach. This much, in view of some unfavorable allusions recently made in the public prints in reference to our schools.

LIST OF TEACHERS IN 1874.

HIGH SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Charles S. Halsey, A. M.

Assistants—Sara M. Schoonmaker.

Albert R. Dow.

M. Louise Olmsted.

Myra B. Richardson.

Laura H Brownell.

Louise A. Dennison.

Katharine I. Hagar.

Jennie Dow.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Mrs. Jennie M. Wyatt.

Assistants—Mary E. Wells.

Helen C. Converse.

Louise A. Dennison.

Jennie M. Carter.

Emma F. Hood.

PINE STREET INTERMEDIATE.

PRINCIPAL—Martha F. Keeler, winter and spring terms.

Mary B. Stiles, fall term.

Assistants—Elizabeth M. Frink, { winter and spring
terms.

Alice V. Walker.

Sarah A. Pope.

Mary E. Collins.

Katie P. Miller.

NORTH STREET INTERMEDIATE.

TEACHER—Mary E. Collins.

MAIN STREET INTERMEDIATE.

TEACHER—Ruth A. Hodgkins.

ADAMS INTERMEDIATE.

PRINCIPAL—Elizabeth M. Frink.

Assistant—Florence J. Beecher.

POMEROY INTERMEDIATE.

PRINCIPAL—Alice V. Walker.

Assistants—Alice V. Washburn.

Nellie Townsend.

PINE STREET PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Stella L. Thomas, winter and spring terms.

Eva E. Sallies, fall term.

Assistants—Eva E. Sallies, winter and spring terms.

Florence Piper, “ “ “ “

Alice S. Washburn “ “ “ “

Mrs. Florence Partridge, fall term.

NORTH STREET PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Edna J. Adsit, winter and spring terms.

Carrie L. Kimball, fall term.

Assistants—Carrie L. Kimball, winter and spr. terms.

Addie J. Taft, fall term.

MAIN STREET PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Nettie B. George, winter and spr. terms.

NORTH AVENUE.

Florence J. Beecher, win. and spr. terms.

Nettie B. George, fall term.

COLCHESTER AVENUE.

PRINCIPAL—Amelia Brown, winter and spring terms.

Assistant—M. H. Witherby, winter and spring terms.

ADAMS PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Maria A. McWeeney.

Assistant—Anna Smith.

POMEROY PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Lizzie A. Reese.

Assistant—Mary O. Woods.

FALLS SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Sara A. Enright.

Assistants—Mary O. Woods, winter and spring terms.
Jennie Mathews, fall term.

SHELBURN STREET.

TEACHER—Maria A. McWeeney, win. and spr. terms.

UNGRADED DAY SCHOOL.

TEACHER—Mrs. B. E. Wilcox.

UNGRADED EVENING SCHOOLS.

At Falls.

TEACHERS—S. A. Enright.
M. O. Woods.

At Main and Union Streets.

TEACHERS—Mrs. B. E. Wilcox.
Miss E. M. Frink.

TEACHERS OF MUSIC IN ALL THE SCHOOLS.

Mrs. H. E. Armstrong, winter and spring terms.
Mr. A. J. Phillips, fall term.

CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

The greatest number enrolled any one term during the year was 936; the average number, 878; and the average attendance 715, or 81½ per cent. of the number enrolled.

The following table shows the attendance at the different schools during the year.

SCHOOLS.	WINTER TERM.			SPRING TERM.			FALL TERM.		
	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.
High School,	61	56	92	79	72	91	95	89	94
Grammar School,	105	90	86	101	84	83	128	115	90
<i>Intermediate.</i>									
Pine Street,	138	110	80	128	116	91	106	93	88
Pomeroy .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	87	72	83
Adams .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	55	85
North & Murray Streets, ..	38	34	89	23	21	90	.....	.....	.....
Main & Union "	43	38	90	39	35	90	.....	.....	.....
<i>Primary</i>									
Pine Street,	157	123	80	167	128	77	74	58	78
Pomeroy .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82	64	78
Adams .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73	50	69
North & Murray Streets, ..	73	55	75	94	67	71	82	66	81
Main & Union "	31	20	68	38	21	55	.....	.....	.....
<i>Two Grade Schools.</i>									
Falls School,	57	46	80	57	45	79	59	44	75
North Avenue,	20	15	75	18	14	78	16	12	75
Shelburn Street, ..	32	26	82	28	22	80	.....	.....	.....
Colchester Avenue,	41	37	90	42	33	80	.....	.....	.....
<i>Ungraded.</i>									
Main Street—day,	44	32	73	.....	.....	.....	16	12	75
Main Street—evening, ..	56	44	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Falls—evening,	40	32	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	936	758	81	814	658	80½	883	730	81
Tardinesses,	997			430			656		
Dismissals,	177			98			182		

The ratio of attendance during the latter part of the year, was greatly diminished by fear of the small-pox, which existed to a very limited extent in the city, but nevertheless caused much alarm, and was the occasion of keeping many pupils out of school.

Following is an abstract of the school census for the year 1874 :

WARDS.	No of Families.	No. of Children under 5 years of age.	No. between 5 and 10 years.	No. between 10 and 15 years.	No. between 15 and 20 years.	Whole No. of children under 20 years.	No. of Children of School age.	No. of heads of families.
First,.....	154	76	136	104	105	421	345	270
Second,.....	387	254	222	184	166	826	572	715
Third,.....	532	413	374	285	256	1328	915	990
Fourth,.....	404	199	183	170	163	715	516	670
Fifth,.....	437	265	235	209	218	927	662	785
Totals in 1875....	1914	1207	1150	952	908	4217	3010	3430
" " 1874....	2176	1284	1153	1001	985	4424	3140	3920
Decrease " 1874....	262	77	3	49	77	207	130	490

HIGH SCHOOL.

The number of pupils attending this school is ninety-six, forty-five boys and fifty-one girls; of this number sixty-one study Latin, twenty-three Greek and twenty-one French; seven graduates from this school entered college last year and twelve propose entering from the next graduating class.

The course of study is indicated by the following list of text books in use in the school viz: Greene's English Grammar; French's Arithmetic; Greenleaf's Elementary Algebra; Loomis's Geometry, Loomis's Trigonometry, Steele's Physiology, Steele's Chemistry, Steele's Geology, Steele's Astronomy; Gray's Botany; Anderson's History of England, Anderson's General History; Alden's Citizen's Manual; Bryant and Stratton's Bookkeeping; Hart's Rhetoric; Shaw's English Literature; Allen and Greenough's Latin Grammar; Goodwin's Greek Grammar, Mitchell's Ancient Geography, Otto's French Grammar.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. L. DODGE, Superintendent.

Jan. 1st, 1875

Report of the Health Officer.

BURLINGTON, DEC. 31st, 1874.

To the City Council;

I have the honor to present the following report of my official labors as health officer, for a period commencing January 1st, 1874, and ending December 31st, 1874.

During the spring and summer months my time was occupied in visiting places where little or no attention is paid to sanitary regulations, and in thickly populated localities, where observances of cleanliness are seldom appreciated or practiced.

The orders issued for the abatement of nuisances have, with few exceptions, been fully recognized, and requests of the health officer in nearly every instance, been complied with.

Whenever persons have refused to comply with the requirements of an order issued for the abatement of a nuisance, legal measures have been adopted to force compliance; but owing to the alleged unconstitutionality of the ordinances, or technical irregularities, the city have failed in every instance to make out a case. From the uncertainty of success in resorting to legal interference for support, the power of the health officer to establish sanitary regulations has been diminished to a functionary without force. It is desirable that the constitutionality of the ordinances be tested, and their validity established as soon as possible.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES,—SMALL POX.

Up to the present writing, we have to record the appearance of thirty-two cases of small pox, occurring within the city limits, with a mortality of eleven cases. It was first discovered on Cherry Street, being a recent importation from Montreal, the case proving fatal on the thirteenth day following the appearance of the eruption. On discovery of the

first case, vaccination was performed upon all persons residing in the vicinity of it, but with all precautionary measures taken, the disease was communicated to eight others, four of whom died of that form known as Variola Confluens. In all of the cases resulting in death, it seemed impossible to make the vaccination effectual. It is certain where vaccinations have been recent and effectual, that the disease was materially modified, or contraction of the disease absolutely prevented. While this fact is so well established, it would seem needless to offer argument favoring the operation of vaccination; still, the difficulty heretofore experienced, of introducing the Kine Pox as a prevention of Variola, induces me to recommend the passage of an ordinance (if such power rests with the Board of Aldermen) compelling every individual to be vaccinated, who is susceptible to the contagion. Many refuse to be vaccinated who were daily exposed to the disease, and who alike were exposing others. Protection is not perfect unless vaccinations are general; and while so many are allowed the freedom of the City, unprotected in themselves from so loathsome a disease, the health and comfort of other portions of the community must be imperilled.

Although the laws of the state empower the health officer to enforce vaccination, still it is difficult to exercise such power, while so many disbelieve in the efficacy of vaccination as a preventive of Variola. Time and a more thorough education of the people in such matters, will correct the difficulty.

A long delay in the construction of a pest house, found us with many cases of Small Pox, without proper conveniences for their accommodation; but the necessary repairs were made upon the one now in use, and with an addition, it has so far, answered the purposes for which it was intended. It is too small for the accommodation of many patients, although no suffering has yet resulted from over crowded apartments.

In no case have I deemed it advisable to remove patients to the pest house, except where they were found occupying a portion of tenement houses, or in close proximity to many families whose avocations necessitated their coming in contact with the contagion. Patients were allowed to remain at their homes provided the family attacked, occupied the entire house; but in

such cases, the place was guarded by posting a conspicuous notice on the premises. No little trouble was experienced in keeping infected localities properly guarded, for in many instances, the notice was removed,—but when discovered, they have been re-posted.

I would respectfully recommend that measures be taken during the coming season for the construction of a commodious, comfortable house, to meet the demands of a community like this,—a prospective necessity, which, when needed, would answer the purpose of a hospital.

It has been my endeavor to disinfect all places which have been occupied by small pox patients. The means usually adopted were the free use of chloride, and carbolate of lime; carbolic acid, and fumigations.

For the benefit of those desiring information respecting the use and application of disinfectants, I shall give the following rules, which can be practiced by any one without danger. The positive disinfectants, that quickly destroy, or restrain, every contagious virus, comprise the caustic acids, and salts of metals, such as sulphate of iron, sulphate of zinc, carbolic acid, which not only destroys every communicable virus of disease, but also prevents those kinds of fermentation and decay, that aid in propagating epidemics. Frost destroys some infections, but preserves many others, while boiling or high steam heat, destroys all contagious matter. The volatile disinfectants, such as carbolic acid, sulphurous acid, are useful, and should be applied to the walls and floors of infected apartments. To give off chlorine, to destroy effluvia, and to stop putrefication, and where chlorine gas is wanted, pour *strong vinegar* or diluted *sulphuric acid*, upon plates of chloride of lime occasionally, and add of the chloride. The *permanganate of potassa* in the strength of one ounce to three gallons of water, is an efficient disinfectant when applied to the clothing of patients, affected with cholera, scarlatina or typhoid fever, and the like. Sulphate of iron (copperas) is more especially adapted to the disinfection of cess-pools, drains and sewers.

To give greater completeness to the disinfection required for an infected apartment, and thick woollen clothing, carpets, etc., when boiling heat can not be applied, fumigate with sulphur, the process is as follows: arrange to vacate the room for

twelve hours, close windows and apertures, and, in a kettle burn a few ounces of sulphur. After kindling it, every person should withdraw from the room, and the place remain closed for six or eight hours. When bromine, or nitrous acids are used, they should be under the superintendence of a medical man, as the gases are poisonous.

ASH AND GARBAGE.

A number of places about town have been designated as dumping grounds, or receptacles for coal ashes, and other non-decaying material, but the latitude of privilege has led to the practice of depositing every known substance, animal or vegetable, of a decaying nature, until the localities have become nuisances in the highest degree.

To prevent the deposit of noxious and decaying garbage, it has been necessary to station a guard near a few places, but with this precaution, many things deleterious to health have found their way into these grounds, despite our efforts to restrain it. It is essential that convenient and accessible places be used for the reception of refuse matter, which accumulates about the premises of every one, but it would seem unnecessary that public thoroughfares, in thickly populated portions of the city, be selected as properly answering the uses of a dumping ground. We have failed to establish the practice of dumping only coal ashes, or like non-decaying material, for a load must contain the accumulations of the premises from which it is taken, and this includes everything of an animal or vegetable origin. The odors arising from the dumping grounds situated on Main and Church streets are intolerable during the summer months, and besides being a source of discomfort, they are unsightly, detracting considerably from the reputation the city has long maintained of being a model of cleanliness, order and beauty. The grounds above mentioned, I believe, should be put to other uses, or left undisturbed, as there are places in sufficient numbers, better suited to such purposes, and where objections now made to them could not be found.

SWINE.

The experience of the past year has pretty thoroughly settled the question of swine being a public nuisance, and a source of discomfort and annoyance, to many individuals. The practice of keeping swine has become so general, that complaints have issued from nearly every part of the city, and protest after protest has been made against the tolerance of such a nuisance.

To prevent depopulation of certain, localities it has been necessary to enforce an order for removal of swine, but the injustice of an order limited in its effects to few persons, will not satisfy the demands of a public, who are anxious to have the nuisance wholly abated. I believe that the passage of an ordinance, prohibiting the keeping of swine within certain of the city limits, at least between the months of April and November, would be productive of much good, and meet the approval of a large majority of the inhabitants.

The revenue derived from keeping swine is little or nothing to most of the persons engaged in the pursuit, and an ordinance therefore, effecting the removal of swine from the city, would not be a material loss to any one.

WATER SUPPLY.

It is generally believed that the water obtained from the Lake, is chemically pure and wholesome ; but the prevalence of a certain class of disease, whose origin could be traced to *ingesta* of impure water or food, has led me to make a more thorough investigation of the matter, and now I am able to place before the Board, the results of experiments, and the conclusion to which I have arrived, respecting the impurity of water supplied to the people of this city. The committee on Water Department, kindly granted me the privilege of expending a small sum toward the furtherance of my plans, and by the aid of Prof. Peter Collier, a chemical analysis of the water was made, the result and nature of which, I incorporate in this report. The water analyzed by Prof. Collier, was taken from the end of the pier—at the exact place from which the water is pumped to supply the city, carried in glass jars thor-

oughly cleaned and securely corked to the laboratory,—this caution being used, to avoid the accusation of falsehood, which might be made by unjust criticism, and to insure accuracy and completeness in the analysis. One of the jars was filled with surface water, the other nearer the bottom with the water as it appeared after agitation. In the water taken from the surface, the analysis showed the presence of one grain of organic matter to the imperial gallon; in the other, was found twelve grains to the gallon. The amount of organic matter found in either specimen, is sufficient to warrant the statement, that the water now supplied to the city contains impurities which are capable of generating diseases of a grave character. It is evident that when the lake is agitated to the bottom of the receiving pipe, the water is more fully impregnated with organic matter, making it still more dangerous as an article of diet; and this disturbance of the lake near the docks, is of such frequent occurrence, that we can safely presume, that the water consumed by the city, is, much of the time, unfit for use. The water at, or near the break-water would not contain organic matter, as it is beyond the contact or influence of sewer and drain discharges,—a cause, in my opinion, of the impurity of the water found near the dock. The necessity of supplying pure and wholesome water for purposes of drink and diet, is apparent to every one; but it is hardly possible to obtain such supplies, from a point in the lake, only *sixty feet* from the docks,—the natural reservoirs for excrementitious matter found in sewerage. If the receiving pipe was continued to, or beyond the break-water, it would not be contaminated with organic matter, and I would therefore respectfully recommend, that the subject receive your earliest attention, and a change effected, if possible, in the position of the *crib*.

REGISTRATION OF MORTALITY.

I would respectfully call your attention again to the recommendations made in my report of last year, respecting the registration of mortality, for the adoption of some system, whereby the statistics of death would be more reliable and complete. It is the expressed wish of a large majority of the

physicians, that a certificate of death be required, before a permit of interment be granted. If such a regulation be adopted and enforced, the incompleteness of a school census, would be superceded by a more thorough method. The possibility of burial, where the suspicion of crime existed, would be avoided, and the causes of death would be better known to the profession, and indirectly a benefit to the community.

Estimated population of city,.....	18,000
No. of deaths for year ending January 1, 1875,.....	153
“ births, “ “ “ “ “	299

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. GRINNELL, M. D.,

Health Officer.

REPORT

OF THE

Cemetery Commissioners.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

Your Cemetery Commissioners respectfully report their cash receipts from January 1st, 1874, to December 31st, 1874, inclusive, to wit :

City Vault fees,	\$25 00	
Miscellaneous items,	30 75	
	<hr/>	\$55 75
Opening and filling Graves,	\$131 50	
Fitting up burial lots,	268 03	
Cutting grass on burial lots,	182 75	
Labor for private parties,	57 00	
	<hr/>	\$639 28
		<hr/>
		\$695 03
Proceeds sales burial lots,		1,162 87
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		\$1,857 90
Jan. 1st, 1875, there was due the Lake View Cemetery on book account,		\$80 00
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		\$1,937 90

EXPENDITURES.

1874.

Dec. 31. Pay Rolls, including wages of Dan Lyon,
cemetery commissioner, \$1,076 12

DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:

Dan Lyon, commissioner, 197 $\frac{2}{3}$ days, at \$2.50 per day,	\$493 50
Eli Poquette, sexton, at \$400 per year,	270 40
Other labor,	303 22
	<hr/> \$1,076 12
Vault fees refunded,	2 00
Repairs,	51 90
Incidentals,	191 40
Feed,	42 24
Manure,	15 15
Shoeing horse, etc.,	11 93
Bal. due Dan Lyon as per last years report,	63 67
H. H. Doolittle, cemetery commissioner,	10 00
	<hr/> \$1,464 41
Cash in hands of cemetery commissioners,	393 49
	<hr/> 1,857 90

DAN LYON,
HENRY H. DOOLITTLE, } Cemetery
GEO. FRANCIS, } Commissioners.

We have examined the above, together with the detailed statement and vouchers submitted, and find the same correct, as stated. Of the above sum of \$393,49, reported as in hands of commissioners, \$300 has been paid to the City Treasurer since January 1, 1875.

WM. G. SHAW, }
M. MULQUEEN, } Auditors.
M. A. EVARTS, }

RECORD OF THE AGGREGATE SALES OF BURIAL LOTS IN LAKE
VIEW CEMETERY TO DEC. 31st, 1874.

Whole number lots sold prior to January 1, 1874,	
214—cash receipts,	\$10,336 48
Sales of lots the past year, 28—cash receipts,	1,162 87
Total number lots sold, 242—cash receipts.	<hr/> \$11,499 35

INTERMENT RECORD.

Original interments to Jan. 1st, 1874,	217
Removals to Lake View to Jan. 1st, 1874,	141
	—358
Original interments the past year,	45
Removals the past year,	9
	— 54
Total number of interments in Lake View Cemetery,	412

The Commissioners particularly call attention to the beautiful fountain located near the center of the Cemetery, erected during the past season, by Walker Bros. & Co.

It stands in about the center of the cemetery; is formed of substantial masonry, surrounded with a finely wrought coping of Isle La Motte stone, 14x14 inches square, the basin having a diameter of twenty-six feet. The water jet in the center has an elevation of over sixteen feet. It is of a very handsome pattern, and greatly adorns the location in which it is placed.

The cost of this fountain complete, was over twelve hundred dollars. For this very appropriate contribution to the beauty of Lake View Cemetery, the city is under obligation to John P. Howard, Esq., who has presented it, and to whom our citizens are already under obligations for his generous gifts to the various philanthropies and institutions of the city. The Commissioners, acting in behalf of our citizens, take this occasion to record their thanks for this gift, and also, and further, for the sum of five hundred dollars, which he has authorized the Commissioners to expend, in the erection of appropriate entrance gates to the grounds of the Cemetery, to be erected early in the coming season.

DAN LYON,	}	<i>Cemetery Commissioners.</i>
H. H. DOOLITTLE,		
GEO. FRANCIS,		

REPORT

OF THE

Overseer of the Poor.

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit the transactions of the Poor Department, from Jan. 1st, 1874, to Jan. 1st, 1875.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Jan 1st, 1874,	\$ 57 48
Cash from produce and other sources,	367 64
Cash from City Treasurer,	6,657 99
	----- \$7,083 11

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash paid Poor House and Small Pox hospital—general account,	\$3,247 37
Cash paid coal for Poor House,	201 35
“ 185 persons, wood, coal and provisions,	2,401 16
“ 22 transient persons,	92 18
“ Master and Matron’s salary,	400 00
“ City Physician, salary,	200 00
“ Overseer of poor,	400 00
Cash balance on hand,	141 05
	----- \$7,083 11
Wood on hand January 1, 1875, \$480 00	

Estimated expense,	\$5,500 00
My salary,	400 00
	<hr/> \$5,900 00

The extra expense over the estimate this year, is owing mainly to the prevalence of small pox in the city, the building of an addition to the Pest house (\$178 48) and other expenses, amounting in all to

757 99

\$6,657 99

A. B. LOWRY, Overseer.

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Overseer of the Poor, from Jan. 1st, 1874, to Jan. 1st, 1875, and find them as stated above, correct.

WM. G. SHAW, M. MULQUEEN, M. A. EVARTS,	{	<i>Auditors.</i>
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INVENTORY OF FURNITURE IN POOR-HOUSE, AND TOOLS
ON FARM, JANUARY 1, 1875.

26 bed racks, 51 blankets, 34 chairs, 15 stools, 9 tables, 2 stands, 26 pillows, 8 feather beds, 28 straw ticks, 50 sheets, 50 pillow slips, 2 lamps, 4 candle sticks, 1 lantern, 2 teapots, 3 wash tubs, 2 coal hods, 1 clock, 2 churns, 1 butter worker, 5 smoothing irons, 3 kettles, 2 frying pans, 2 tea kettles, 1 gridiron, 1 dripping pan, 3 mop sticks, 5 pails, 1 milk strainer, 1 cream pail, 1 seive, 15 tin plates, 16 table spoons, 8 tin basins, 50 knives and forks, 33 plates, 25 cups and saucers, 2 tunnels, 24 bowls, 1 bell, 1 tin boiler, 1 coffee pot, 2 dippers, 6 tin cups, 2 chopping knives, 2 dust pans, 6 stone jars, 5 pepper boxes, 1 pr. shears, 3 dish pans, 47 milk pans, 1 quart cup, 23 chambers, 1 bed pan, 1 oil can, 5 paper curtains, 7 white curtains, 2 table oil cloths, 4 towels, 6 stoves and pipe, 2 wash boilers, 1 cross-cut saw, 1 hand saw, 1 bit stock, 1 bit, 1 auger, 1 square, 1 grain cradle, 2 horse blankets, 2 chains, 1 business wagon, 1 lumber wagon, 1 set sleds, 2 scythes and snaths, 1 hay knife, 4 hay rakes, 1 horse rake, 1 straw cutter,

1 wheel-barrow, 4 hay forks, 2 iron bars, 1 set double harness, 1 single harness, 2 sets of whiffletrees, 1 neck yoke, 1 plow, 1 harrow, 1 pair of ice tongs, 2 bushel baskets, 1 clothes basket, 1 half bushel, 1 four quart and 1 two quart measures, 2 baskets, 5 hoes, 1 grind stone, 1 mower, 2 flails, 1 wrench, 1 hammer, 2 halters, 1 grub hoe, 5 jugs, 1 cultivator, 2 potatoe diggers, 2 manure forks, 1 wood saw, 2 corn cutters, 1 scoop shovel, 1 single sleigh, 1 fishing boat, 1 portable oven, 3 wash basins, 1 wringer, 3 ladders, 1 snow shovel.

PRODUCE RAISED ON POOR FARM, 1874.

13 tons hay, 180 bushels oats, 75 bushels ear corn, 20 bushels rye, 4 tons straw, $1\frac{1}{2}$ tons corn stalks, 250 bushels potatoes, 20 bushels carrots, 16 bushels beets, 10 barrels apples, 3 barrels cider, 3 bushels beans, 800 lbs. beef, 800 lbs. pork, 4 veal calves.

PRODUCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1875.

18 tons hay, 125 bushels oats, 5 bushels carrots, 2 bushels beans, 2 tons straw, 20 bushels ear corn, 4 bushels beets, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton corn stalks, 150 bushels potatoes, 4 barrels apples, 50 lbs. coffee, 1 chest tea, 25 lbs. saleratus, $\frac{1}{2}$ barrel salt, 50 gallons vinegar, 80 gallons soft soap, 50 lbs. lard, 6 doz. candles, 300 lbs. corned beef, 450 lbs. salt pork, 1 barrel flour, 18 tons coal, 50 lbs. sugar, 30 lbs. hard soap, 30 lbs. beef tallow.

STOCK ON FARM JANUARY 1, 1875.

2 horses, 6 cows, 1 yearling heifer, 2 spring calves, 2 store hogs, 20 hens.

PEST HOUSE.

6 bed racks, 1 bedstead, 1 mattress, 2 comforters, 6 straw ticks, 3 bed quilts, 8 blankets, 6 pillows, 6 cups and saucers, 3 bowls, 10 plates, 3 milk pans, 1 wash tub, 1 wash board, 4 chairs 2 tables, 1 copper wash boiler, 2 wash dishes, 3 pails, 6 teaspoons, 2 stoves and pipe, 1 frying pan, 1 tea kettle, 1 iron kettle, 1 tea pot. 2 chambers, 6 table spoons, 14 sheets, 10 pillow slips, 1 wood saw, 1 axe, 1 lamp, 1 candle stick, 1 gridiron, 1 tin pail, 6 knives and forks.

The following persons were inmates of the Poor House January 1st, 1874.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	DIFFICULTY.	TIME AT POOR HOUSE.	WHEN LEFT.
John Trudo,	90 years,	Canada,	Destitute,	15 years,	
Catherine Moran,	39	Ireland,	"	8	April 22, 1874.
Sophia Papineau,	80	Canada,	Blind,	8	Died Oct. 13, 1874.
Thomas Brassel,	59	Ireland,	Destitute,	7	
Margaret Brassel,	64	"	Ch. Rheumatism,	7	
Kate Mittemore,	35	"	Incompetency,	6	
Peter Donnelly,	51	"	Blind,	4½	Dec. 1st, 1874.
Alexander Bulla,	81	Canada,	Infirm,	4	
John Murphy,	54	Ireland,	Debility,	6	
Jack King,	75	Burlington,	Infirm,	3	
Thos. Thompson,	40	No. Carolina,	Insane,	1	
Geo. Rutherford,	57	England,	Injured ankle,	8 mos.	Sent to Brattleboro July 29, 1874.
Ann McGowen,	23	Burlington,	Epilepsia,	6	
Alice McGowen,	66	Ireland,	Infirm,	6	
Ann Martin,	74	"	"	6	
Rosalind Ploof,	50	Canada,	Imbecile,	1	
Mary Franklin,	22	Albany, N. Y.,	Vagrant,		April 1, 1874.

The following persons have been admitted to the Poor House from January 1st, 1874, to Dec. 31, 1874.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	DIFFICULTY.	WHEN ADMITTED.	WHEN LEFT.
James House,.....	73	England,	Heart Disease,	January 9, 1874.	March 27, 1874.
John Mullins, ..	53	Ireland,		" 27,	Feb. 21, "
*Daniel Davis,.....	62	"	Brights "	" 31,	April 4, "
*Thomas Hamilton,.....	61	"		Feb'y 10,	Feb. 20, "
*Julia O'Brien,.....	25	Canada,	Vagrant,	March 14,	July 25, "
Emma Pair,.....	23	Burlington,	Pregnant,	April 2,	April 22, "
Ann Pair,	2	"		" 2,	April 22, "
Jenny Dickinson,.....	19	W. Fairlee,	Vagrant,	" 4,	April 15, "
Jane Blinn,.....	36	Georgia, Vt.,	Mania,	" 29,	"
*James Linsley,.....	72	Ireland,	Sick,	" 14,	"
Ben Law,.....	66	Burlington,	"	May 15,	May 7, "
James Wall,	66	Ireland,	Infirm,	" 19,	June 11, "
Kate Mittemore,.....	34	"	Vagrant,	June 4,	June 10, "
Mitchell Vayue,.....	74	Canada,	Heart Disease,	" 13,	Nov. 20, "
Catherine Ross,	88	"	Blind,	" 14,	Died Oct. 15,
*Maranda Vincent,.....	30	"	Destitute,	July 13,	June 15, 1874.
Adolphus Vincent,	3 mos.	Burlington,		" 13,	July 23, "
Catherine Wall,	55	Ireland,	General Debility,	" 16,	July 23, "
Mary Franklin,.....	22	Albany, N. Y.	Pregnant,	August 5,	"
Mary Digan,.....	76	Ireland,	Ch. Rheumatism,	" 20,	Oct. 29, "
*Michael O'Day,.....	62	"	Sick,	Sept. 1,	Oct. 5, "
*Daniel Davis,.....	62	"	Brights Disease,	" 7,	"
Caroline Reakey,	40	Canada,	Vagrant,	Oct. 10,	Oct. 31, "
*M. J. Brennan,.....	44	Ireland,	Dyspepsia,	" 15,	Oct. 23, "

Maranda Hapgood,	40	Burlington, England,	Blind,	October 31, 1874.
James House,	73	Canada,	Heart Disease,	Dec. 20, "
*Hermab Lashance,	75	"	Gangrene,	" 22, "
*Albert Richards,	27	"	In't Fever,	" 22, "
*Wm. Roberts,	34	New York,	Pneumonia,	" 31, "
John Gilman,	40	Canada,	Destitute,	" 31, "
Clara Flanders,	19	New York,	Vagrant,	" 31, "

*Transient.

THE FOLLOWING SMALL POX PATIENTS WERE ADMITTED TO THE PEST HOUSE:

NAMES.	AGE.	BIRTH PLACE.	WHEN ADMITTED.	REMARKS.
George Mossey,	17	Canada,	October 16, 1874.	Recov. Oct. 26.
Emma Carter,	13	Burlington,	Nov. 23, "	Died Dec. 2.
Lizzie Perry,	12	"	" 26, "	Recov. Dec. 28.
Wm. Satchel,	33	Virginia,	" 30, "	Recov. Dec. 17.
Child of St. Johns,	6	Canada,	Dec. 11, "	Died Dec. 24.
Lavina Duffy,	22	Vermont,	" 12, "	Recov. Dec. 28.
John O'Brien,	26	Ireland,	" 16, "	Died Dec. 19.
St. John's child,	3	Canada,	" 23, "	Died Dec. 24.

Account of the Insane Asylum against the City Aug. 1st, 1874.

NAMES.	AGE	BIRTH PLACE.	IN ASYLUM.	Expense.	REMARKS.
Mary Jane Blinn,	36	Georgia, Vt.	15 yrs., 10 mo.	\$92 38	Removed April 29, '74.
Bridget Fowler,	54	Ireland.	4 yrs., 8 mo.	124 07	
Oliver S. Blinn,	27	Burlington.	10 yrs., 11 mo.	124 07	
Caroline Barree,	43	Canada.	3 yrs., 5 mo.	124 07	
Francelia Metcalf	39	Wash'n, Vt.	1 yr., 4 mo.	124 07	
Mary Sullivan,	69	Ireland.	1 yr., 1 mo.	124 07	
H. Beauchemin,	24	Canada.	5 mo.	50 10	Escaped Dec. 26, 1873.
Alice Quinn,	56	Ireland.	11 1-2 mo.	117 60	
Ellen Kean,	41	Ireland.	1 1-2 mo.	10 59	
Two Medical Examination Certificates,				6 00	
				\$897 02	

REPORT

OF THE

City Liquor Agency,

M. W. HOSMER, Agent, from January 1, to April 23, 1874.

Dr.

To Invoice of liquors on hand January 1st, 1874,	\$1,886 86
To cash balance on hand January 1, 1874,	86 64
To invoices of liquors from January to April, 1874,	595 14
To cash of City Treasurer, for salary,	288 34
To City Hall department, for rent,	67 67
To balance profit and loss,	621 69
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	\$3,546 32

Cr.

By cash paid City Treasurer,	\$2,076 22
By paid freight bills.	53 06
By liquors on hand April 23, 1874,	\$1,400 79
By keys and bottles to A. A. Harrington, agent,	16 25
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	\$3,546 32

We have examined the above account, and find it correct.

WM. G. SHAW, }
M. MULQUEEN, } *Auditors.*
M. A. EVARTS, }

REPORT

OF THE

City Liquor Agency,

A. A. HARRINGTON, Agent, from May 1, to Dec. 31, 1874.

Dr.

To invoice of liquors of M. W. Hosmer, Agent,	\$1,400 79
To invoices of liquors from May to Dec. 31, 1874,	1,849 29
To keys, bottles, etc., of M. W. Hosmer, agent,	16 25
To City Hall department, for rent, coal and water,	146 33
To City Treasurer, for insurance on liquors,	18 75
To cash of City Treasurer for salary,	200 00
To cash of City Treasurer for freight, etc.,	60 55
To balance profit and loss,	169 39
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	\$3,861 35

Cr.

By cash paid City Treasurer,	\$1,800 00
By invoice liquors on hand,	2 017 25
By cash on hand,	44 10
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	\$3,861 35

We have examined the accounts of A. A. Harrington, City Agent, from May 1st, 1874, to Jan. 1st, 1875, and find them as above stated, correct.

WM. G. SHAW,	} Auditors.
M. MULQUEEN,	
M. A. EVARTS,	

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of City Water Works,

FROM JAN. 1st, to APRIL 25th, 1874.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

I submit the following report of receipts and expenditures from January 1st, to April 25th, 1874.

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	\$ 1,424 52
“ sundry bills collected,	108,14
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	\$1,532 66

DISBURSEMENTS.

CURRENT EXPENSES.

JANUARY.

Paid Monthly Pay Roll.....	\$109,50
H. Arnold repairing harness,.....	5,25
Freight bill,.....	50
S. Huntington & Co., Stationery,.....	3,78
W. A. Tyler, Plumbing,.....	3,08
Cosgriff & Townsend,.....	4,55
Wheelock & Griffin,.....	7,75
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	134,41

FEBRUARY.

Paid Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$95,00
Nash & Wardlow, Plumbing,.....	3,90
C. W. Lippitt, bill of feed,.....	29,18
Ira E. Shattuck, bill of Hardware,.....	40
A. L. Lucas & Son, “ Glazing,.....	50
W. & D. G. Crane, “ Lumber,.....	7,60
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	136,58

MARCH.

Paid Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$ 91,25
Burlington Gas Light Co.,.....	12,83
A. B. Lowry, Overseer of Poor, for Straw,.....	5,85
Free Press Association, Advertising,.....	4,00
Huntington & Co., Stationery,.....	35
G. Woodman & Co., bill of stop cocks,.....	14,10
C. W. Lippitt, " Feed,.....	9,80
I. E. Shattuck, " Hardware,.....	95
H. S White & Son, " Oil,.....	25
	<hr/> 139,38

APRIL.

Paid Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$86,75
W. Zottman, Supt. bal. of salary &c.,.....	231,26
I. E. Shattuck, bill of Hardware,.....	48
White & Son, " Oil,.....	38
G. H. Bostwick, Blacksmithing,.....	7,88
Smith & Bagley, " "	2,45
H. Arnold, repairing harness,.....	75
C. W. Lippitt, bill of Feed,.....	6,30
	<hr/> \$336 25
	746,62
Paid Sundry bills as pr. Vouchers,.....	49,92
G. D. Weller, City Treas.,.....	58,22
	<hr/> \$108,14
	\$854,76

PUMPING ACCOUNT.

JANUARY.

Paid Monthly Pay Roll, Engin'r and Fireman,	\$130,95
Ira E. Shattuck, bill of Hardware and Oil,	14,18
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill of Repairs,.....	2,75
E. W. Chase, " Wood,.....	2,00
T. W. Fisher & Co., " Lanterns,.....	11,00
White & Son, " Oil,.....	3,11
R. S. Styles, " Printing,.....	5,70
	<hr/> \$169,69

FEBRUARY.

Paid Monthly Pay Roll, Engin'r and Fireman,	\$124,95	
Brink & Co., bill of Castings,.....	6,00	
B. S. Nichols " Repairs,.....	8,06	
E. W. Chase, " Wood,.....	2,00	
Ira E. Shattuck, " Oil,.....	11,25	
A. G. Lucas & Son, bill of Glazing,.....	50	
A. K. Ballard, " Clay,.....	2,00	\$154,76

MARCH.

Paid Monthly Pay Roll, Engin'r and Fireman,	\$147,75	
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill of Repairs,	14,60	
White & Son " Oil,.....	92	
Lucas & Son, " Glazing,.....	2,00	
I. E. Shattuck, " Hardware,....	2,67	
E. W. Chase, " Wood,.....	2,00	
H. R. Worthington, " Valves,.....	29,90	\$199,84

APRIL.

Paid Monthly Pay Roll, Engin'r and Fireman,	\$112,05	
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill of Repairs,.....	6,75	
E. W. Chase, " Wood,.....	2,00	
G. L. Linsley, " Coal,.....	10,00	
I. E. Shattuck, " Oil,.....	12,50	143,30
		<u>\$667,59</u>

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

APRIL.

Paid W. Cassidy, bill of Repairing Pipe,.....	\$10,31
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RECAPITULATION.

Total Amount Received,.....	\$1532,66
Paid Current Expenses,.....	854,76
" Pumping Account,	667,59
" Construction, "	10,31
	<u>1532,66</u>

Burlington, April 25, 1874.

W. ZOTTMAN, Supt.

REPORT OF THE Superintendent of the City Water Works,

From April 25 to December 31, 1874.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington:

I herewith submit the following report of Receipts and Disbursements.

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, Treasurer,.....	\$11,992 51
Sundry persons, for work,.....\$ 6,88	
Walker Bros., for one horse,..... 125 00	131 88
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	\$12,124 39
Uncollected bills for pipe, and work for private individuals,.....	35 02

DISBURSEMENTS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES.

MAY.

To Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	\$161 06
Louis Martin, taking water lists,..... 35 ..	
Office expenses and express,..... 4 76	
W. & D. G. Crane, bill stop boxes,..... 18 ..	
E. W. Peck & Co., bill packing,..... 4 36	
George K. Paul, bill of pipe,..... 77 30	
Central Vt. Railroad, freight,..... 2 97	
E. Johnson, Sup't., 1 mo. salary,..... 83 33	
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	\$386 78

JUNE.

To Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	000 ..
Louis Martin, taking water lists,.... 22 50	
Simonds & Co., for cotton,..... 31	
Shepard, Davis & Co., for Lumber,..... 75	
W. E. Tibbets, bill poster, 2 45	
R. S. Styles, printing tax bills,..... 35 75	
E. Johnson, Sup't, salary for June,..... 83 33	
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	\$145 09

JULY.

To	Express charges,.....	\$.. 65	
	Lowry & Montgomery, bill painting,....	18 31	
	Carting old iron to the foundry,.....	1 ..	
	McGaffey & Urquhart, rep. harness,....	2 50	
	E. Johnson, horse keeping,.....	17 50	
	Smith & Bagley, rep. wagon,.....	4 50	
	Free Press, advertising,.....	11 50	
	Burlington Gas Light Co.,.....	5 ..	
	E. Johnson, Sup't., salary for July,.....	83 33	
			<u>\$144 29</u>

AUGUST.

To	J. S. Madden, bill work at reservoir,....	\$ 3 75	
	A. G. Strong, bill nails,.....	4 ..	
	E. Johnson, bill horse keeping,.....	28 75	
	G. K. Paul, bill differential pulley,.....	29 58	
			<u>\$ 66 08</u>

SEPTEMBER.

To	S. Russell, painting sign,.....	\$ 6 ..	
	G. W. Beckwith, roofing,.....	3 ..	
	Jerry Lee, blacksmithing,.....	9 45	
	A. G. Peirce, bill of tools,.....	5 25	
	Burlington Gas Light Co.,... ..	2 85	
	E. Johnson, two months salary,	166 66	
			<u>\$193 21</u>

OCTOBER.

To	P. T. Sweet, bill of felting,.....	\$17 77	
	L. Austin, bill of work,.....	7 70	
	E. Johnson, bill of horse keeping.....	42 50	
	E. Johnson, Sup't., one month's salary,..	83 33	
			<u>\$151 30</u>

NOVEMBER.

To	Express charges,	\$ 1 75	
	Cartage on hydrants,	1 ..	
	Cotton and Broom,	1 40	
	Mark Thompson, bill of printing,	7 75	
	Burlington Gas Light Co.,	6 84	
	L. J. Smith, filling holes on Main street,	8 25	
	A. G. Strong, bill of hardware,	5 11	
	National Meter Co., bill of 3 meters,	65 75	
	T. W. Fisher & Co., bill of lanterns,	2 75	
	H. S. White & Son, bill of oil,	7 68	
	Free Press, advertising,	5 ..	
	E. Johnson, Sup't., one month's salary, ..	83 33	
			\$196 61

DECEMBER.

To	R. S. Styles' bill of printing,	\$ 1 75	
	Burlington Gas Light Co.,	11 59	
	A. G. Strong, bill of hardware,	3 62	
	A. Lucas & Son, bill of glazing,	90	
	C. W. Lippitt, bill of straw,	10 80	
"	E. Johnson, Sup't., one month's salary, ..	83 33	\$111 99
	Total amount current expenses, 8 months,		\$1,395 35

DISBURSEMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

MAY.

To	Monthly Pay-Roll,	\$181 37	
"	E. Johnson, for timber and rope,	9 17	
"	Jas. E. Russell, on repairs of chimney, ..	75 ..	
"	C. Blodgett, Son & Co., bill of lumber, ..	165 88	
"	G. L. Linsley, two tubs for coal,	40 ..	
"	Winooski Lumber Co., for lumber,	59 34	
"	G. W. Beckwith, for roofing,	8 ..	
"	C. Blodgett & Son, for coal car,	20 ..	
"	Shepard, Davis & Co., for lumber,	34 33	
"	Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., rope and block,	28 93	
"	Brandon Manufacturing Co., for Scales, ..	118 75	
			\$740 77

JUNE.

To	Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	\$195 74	
	Carter, drawing lime,.....	1 75	
	M. Kelley, moving iron pipe,.....	16 25	
	Freight bill,.....	4 45	
	P. Murphy, hoisting brick,.....	24 ..	
	C. P. Morse, brick for chimney,.....	42 00	
	Jas. E. Russell, on repairs of chimney,..	50 ..	
	B. S. Nichols & Co., for work on derrick and car,.....	44 09	
	Jas. E. Russell, bal. repairs of chimney,.	69 ..	
	P. T. Sweet, repairs and fittings,.....	21 90	
	W. & D. G. Crane, hydrant boxes,.....	71 25	
	G. K. Paul, bill of pipe,.....	36 56	
	Union Water Meter Co., for bands,....	26 05	
	C. Blodgett, Son & Co., for lumber,....	35 17	
	A. G. Strong, bill of hardware,.....	33 55	\$671 76

JULY.

To	Monthly Pay-Roll,....	\$180 62	
	W. H. & F. H. Wilkins' bill freight,....	53 11	
	W. & D. G. Crane, bill of boxes,.....	2 50	
	G. K. Paul, for pipe,.....	27 08	
	Jerry Lee, bill of blacksmithing,.....	9 45	\$272 76

AUGUST.

To	Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	\$140 99	
	G. L. Linsley, bill cedar posts,	6 ..	
	Jas. Wakefield, repairing rope,.....	1 ..	
	G. W. Beckwith,.....	8 75	
	C. Blodgett & Son, bill lumber,.....	28 75	
	S. H. Weston, bill of lime,.....	6 ..	
	W. & D. G. Crane, bill of lumber,.....	20 25	
	Winooski Lumber Co., bill of lumber,..	32 94	
	G. K. Paul, bill of iron pipe,.....	36 19	
	J. A. Madden, blasting, Howard street,.	28 50	
	J. A. Madden, trenching, Howard street,	459 25	
	Central Vt. Railroad Wharf, freight,....	13 68	782 30
	Laying 10 in. iron pipe from Lake st. east }		
	Monthly Pay-Roll,	{ 14 ..	
			\$796 30

SEPTEMBER.

To	Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	\$167 89	
	Union Water Meter Co., for bands,....	77 90	
	Ludlow Valve Co., for gates,.....	107 65	
	Central Vt. Railroad for freight,.....	3 45	
	George K Paul, bill of pipe and stops,..	102 64	
	E. W. Peck & Co., bill packing,.....	1 08	
	Pat. Water & Gas Pipe Co., bill for freight	20 ..	
	J. A. Madden, trenching on North ave- nue and Smith Lane,	143 95	624 54
	Laying 10 in. iron pipe, }		
	Monthly Pay Roll,.... }	85 99	85 99
			<hr/> \$710 53

OCTOBER.

To	Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	\$ 52 12	
	Express, postage and collection,.....	1 60	
	Smith & Bagley, bill repairs,.....	3 36	
	I. E. Shattuck, bill of powder,.....	1 25	
	Nash & Wardlow, bill repairs,.....	2 50	
	W. & D. G. Crane, bill gate boxes,.....	15 ..	
	Free Press advertising,.....	3 25	79 08
	Laying 10 in. iron pipe :		
	Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	166 72	
	T. Cabana, for filling trench,.....	4 50	
	E. W. Peck & Co., for packing,.....	5 06	
	E. W. Chase, for wood,.....	3 ..	
	Kindling wood for melting lead,.....	3 25	
	Freight,	1 43	183 96
			<hr/> 263 04

NOVEMBER.

To	Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	\$154 50
	Geo. I. Hagar, bill of hardware,.....	14 22
	George K. Paul, bill of pipe,.....	65 52
	Pat. Water and Gas Pipe Co.,.....	7 75
	Jerry Lee, blacksmithing,.....	8 90
	W. & D. G. Crane. bill boxes,.....	41 25

Union Water Meter Co., for stops and bands,	56 20	
P. T. Sweet, felting and repairs,.....	30 05	
M. Kelly, carting iron pipe,.....	5 ..	
W. H. Brink & Co., for castings,.....	86 55	469 94
Laying 10 in. pipe,		
Brink & Co., for castings,.....		242 92
		<u>\$712 86</u>

DECEMBER.

To Monthly Pay-Roll,.....	\$167 62	
W. H. & F. H. Willkins' bill storage,...	4 65	
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill hydrants,.....	74 50	
Central Vt. Railroad, bill for freight,...	8 20	
Shepard, Davis & Co., bill for lumber,..	5 94	
Geo. I Hagar, bill for hardware,.....	4 38	
H. W. Smith & Son,.....	2 20	
	<u>\$267 49</u>	
Total amount for construction,.....		\$4,435 51

The following work, by Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co.,
is unpaid:

Bill for laying pipe in Howard street, North avenue and Smith's Lane.....	\$1,430 40
Bill of making connections at Main and Prospect streets,.....	42 80
Bill of making connections at North av. and Battery streets,.....	108 72
Bill of repairing hydrant in Lumber Yard	12 41
	<u>\$1,594 33</u>

DISBURSEMENTS FOR PUMPING ACCOUNT.

MAY.

To Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$150,60	
Soccomb, Kehew & Thayer, Sperm Oil, ..	83,63	
H. R. Worthington, repairing Guage,.....	5,00	
G. L. Linsley, bill of Coal,.....	872,48	
W. & D. G. Crane, bill of Lumber,.....	23,68	
Linsley & Co., " Belting,.....	3,24	
Express on Water Guage,.....	60	
Michael Kelly, Cartage,.....	16,25	
Labor discharging Coal,.....	3,06	1,158 54

JUNE.

To Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$142,10	
P. Murphy, hoisting Coal,.....	6.87	
B. S. Nichols & Co, bill Repairs,.....	8,09	
G. L. Linsley, bill of Coal,.....	2,310 29	2,467 35

JULY.

To Monthly Pay Roll,.....	145,70	
E. W. Peck & Co., for Lime,.....	1,38	
P. Murphy, hoisting Coal,	25,00	\$172,08

AUGUST.

To Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$136,50
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SEPTEMBER.

To Monthly Pay Roll,.....	155,25	
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill of Repairs,.....	14,53	
J. E. Russell, "	7,00	
M. D. Fuller, 100 tons Coal,.....	680,00	\$856,78

OCTOBER.

To Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$130,12	
A. S. Brownell, bill of Packing and Waste, ..	40,25	
H. R. Worthington, Repairs,.....	3,50	
Drew & Conger, Ice.....	7,00	180,87

NOVEMBER.

To Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$116,25	
P. Murphy, hoisting Coal,.....	6,50	
G. M. Peterson, bill of Oil,.....	2,00	
M. D. Fuller, bill 98½ gross tons Coal,....	640,25	
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill of Repairs,	44,13	
Brink & Co., " " Castings,.....	119,58	928,71

DECEMBER.

To Monthly Pay Roll,.....	\$154,50
Total amount Pumping, 8 months,.....	\$6,055 33

RECAPITULATION.

Disbursements for Current Expenses,.....	\$1,395 35
Disbursements for Construction,.....	4,435 51
Disbursements for Pumping,	6,055 33
Total disbursements,	11,886 19
Balance on hand,.....	238 20
	<u>\$12,124 39</u>

Recapitulation, showing the yearly Disbursements of Water Works:

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Disbursed by W. Zottman, Superintendent,	\$796 54
“ “ E. Johnson, Supt.,.....	1,395 35
	<u>\$2,191 89</u>

CONSTRUCTION.

Disbursed by W. Zottman, Supt.,	10 31
“ “ E. Johnson, Supt.,	4,435 51
	<u>\$4,445 82</u>

PUMPING.

Disbursed by W. Zottman, Supt.,	667 59
“ “ E. Johnson, Supt.,	6,055 33
	<u>6,722 92</u>
Coal on hand Jan. 1, '74, \$1,415 21 } Less coal	
Coal on hand Jan. 1, '75, 1,662 50 } on hand,	247 29
	<u>\$247 29</u> Cost of pumping, 6,475 63
Total amount of Current Expense,	2,191 89
“ “ “ Construction,	4,445 82
“ “ “ Pumping,	6,722 92
	<u>\$13,360 63</u>

To above construction account of \$4,445 82, should be added the work done by Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co. in 1874 of \$1,594 33, making total cost of construction, \$6,040 15.

ELMORE JOHNSON, Supt.

We have examined the foregoing account of Elmore Johnson, Superintendent of Water Works, from April 25th, 1874, to December 31st, 1874, inclusive, and find it correct.

WM. G. SHAW, }
M. MULQUEEN, } Auditors.
M. A. EVARTS, }

The distribution of Construction is as follows:

Howard Street from Shelburn to Pine St.

1320 feet 4 inch cement pipe cost.....	792 ..
Trenching, back filling and blasting for same.....	487,75
	<u>\$1,279 75</u>

North Avenue and Smith's Lane.

459 feet 4 inch cement pipe, in North Av.....	275,40
400 “ 6 “ “ “ “ Smith's Lane,	360,00
Trenching and back filling,	143,93
Making connections with old pipe and 10 inch iron pipe	
from Lake Street,	103,39
	<u>\$882,72</u>

Laying 10 inch Iron Pipe, from Lake St. easterly to North Av.

Amount of labor trenching and laying pipe,.....	271,21
" of castings in making turns and connections,..	275,66
" to Ludlow Valve Co., for valves,.....	110,10
83 pieces 10 inch iron pipe on hand from last year,..	2,334 00
19 pigs lead on hand from last year,.....	133,00
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	\$3,123 97

Main and Prospect Streets.

Labor and material making connections with 10 inch pipe on Main Street, and 4 inch pipe on Prospect Street, 42,80
Repairs on hydrant in lumber yard,.....12,41

Pump House.

Making coal shed, including fixtures for hoisting and unloading coal, scales &c.,.....	783,71
Repairing Chimney,.....	268,75
" Pier,.....	72,94
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	\$1,125 40

The amount of water pumped from Jan. 1, to

Dec. 31, 1874,.....	182,300,429 gal.
Pumped during the same time last year,....	164,867,946 gal.

Excess this year over last year is.....	17,432,483 gal.
Total cost of pumping for 1874 is.....	\$6,475 63
" " " current expenses,.....	2,191 89
Total interest on bonded debt,.....	14,694 00

Total for the year,.....	\$23,361 52
Received for water rates,.....	\$15,794 11
Uncollected water rates,.....	1,520 00
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	\$17,314 11

Deficiency,.....	\$6,047 41
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which shows that the water works does not pay running expenses and interest on bonds, into the above amount of \$6,047.41.

No. of service pipes,.....	1395
No. of steam boilers,.....	20
No. of garden hose,.....	172
No of bath tubs and water closets,.....	350 "
No. of stores and offices,.....	205
No. of families,.....	1597

I have added 4 street gates, and 85 service pipes during the year.

INVOICE OF STOCK ON HAND FOR CONSTRUCTION.

Twenty pigs of lead; twenty-five pieces ten in. iron pipe; one ten inch gate; four fire hydrants; one twelve in. elbow; one ten in. T; one ten by six in. T; nine short pieces ten inch pipe; nine hundred feet $\frac{1}{2}$ inch gal. iron pipe; two hundred twenty feet $\frac{3}{4}$ inch galv. iron pipe; seventy-five feet one inch galv. iron pipe; seventy-five feet one $\frac{1}{4}$ inch galv. iron pipe; seventy-five feet two inch galv. pipe; two half inch meters; one one inch meter; two hydrant necks; two hydrant box caps; twelve bbls. cement; two sheets of sleeve iron; twelve service boxes; four gate boxes; four pieces twelve inch iron pipe; nine ten inch sleeves; one ten inch band; ten four inch bands; ten five inch bands; six six inch bands; thirteen three inch bands; twenty gate stems; eight plug stops; two one eight $\frac{1}{4}$ inch Ludlow valves; seventy-eight half inch T; thirty-three half inch couplings; lot of odd fittings.

INVOICE OF TOOLS.

One wagon, one sleigh, one harness; one rubber blanket; one tool chest, one tool box, one steam boiler complete; one forge, one furnace, one stove kettle, four stoves and pipe; nine monkey wrenches, three S wrenches, six fork wrenches, two large and two small socket wrenches, four pairs pipe tongs, one small steel bar, four cold chisels, one slicing bar, two iron fire rakes, three packing hooks, one iron fire hoe; four side lamps, eleven lanterns; ten gallons oil, eight tin cans, one water pot, two pails; two hundred feet rubber hose, one hundred thirty feet linen hose, thirty lbs. cop. waste, five lbs. hemp packing, seven lbs. eagle packing, one ball rope

packing, one small roll cord, twelve pcs. rubber packing ; eight large gaskets, two large rubber valves; six air pump srings, ten water cylinder springs, one reducer, four hydrant keys, six hydrant wrenches ; one work bench, two pipe vises, two bench vises ; two scoop shovels, five pick axes, four iron bars, one cement box, twelve drills, two sledge hammers, two hand-saws, one hatchet, one spirit level, one plane, two draw shaves, one screw driver, one chisel, brace and bits, one pair long shears, pair small shears, one die and pipe cutter, one set packing tools, two hooksand rachets, four solder irons, one solder pot, one pair rubber mittens, one pair gas nippers, one extension bit ; $\frac{1}{2}$ keg nails ; two wheel barrows, one derrick rope and blocks, one set of Miner's scales, two hoisting buckets ; one coal car, two hundred fifty tons coal, one differential pulley, one grind-stone, two pumps ; two bull rakes, five small rakes ; two long augers, three gate caps, seven service caps ; one copper hose neck, fourteen pipe drills, one drill brace ; one pair steps, two pulley blocks and rope ; one pair compasses ; fifteen bushels charcoal ; one bench stake ; two iron ladles ; one desk and fixtures, one letter press ; four chairs, two coal hods ; two maps, two pictures, one waste basket, one hand stamp.

December 31, 1874.

ELMORE JOHNSON, *Superintendent.*

REPORT

OF THE

Chief of Police,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1874.

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honor to submit the following report as Chief of Police, for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1874 :

The whole number of arrests made by the Police Department during the year is 523, which may be classified as follows :

For murder,.....	1
" selling intoxicating liquor,.....	94
" intoxication,.....	157
" keeping intox. liquor with intent to sell,....	18
" assault and battery,.....	14
" grand larceny,.....	9
" search warrants for intoxicating liquor,....	52
" breach of peace,.....	65
" pointing fire arms without intent to injure,.	1
" open and gross lewdness,.....	3
" breach of city ordinance,.....	49
" impeding officer,.....	2
" perjury,	1
" vagrancy ,.....	5
" petit larceny,.....	26
" taking plants from cemetery,.....	2
" highway robbery,.....	2
" keeping house of ill fame,.....	3
" cruelty to animals,.....	3
" violation of Sunday law,.....	8
" manufacturing intoxicating liquors,.....	1
" obtaining goods under false pretences,.....	1
" obtaining signatures to notes,.....	1
" assault with attempt to commit rape,.....	2

Increase over 1873, 90.

523

Total number who have received shelter at the station house during the year,..... 180
 Whole number of police,..... 47
 of which number 22 are special police, or watchmen, for the various lumber yards, depots and wharfs.

The police are distributed among the wards as follows :

1st Ward,.....	8
2nd Ward,.....	5
3d Ward,.....	14
4th Ward,.....	10
5th Ward,.....	10

From June 15th to Dec. 31st, three patrolmen have been on duty all night, and have been paid \$2 each per night, which action was authorized by vote of Board of Aldermen.

Also, by vote of the Board of Aldermen, authorizing the same, one policeman was assigned to night duty at the depot and wharf; and one on the battery August 3d, and continued on duty until Nov. 30th, at \$1 each per night.

Also on the 21st of December, one policeman was assigned to duty at the Central wharf, and continued to the present time at \$1 per night.

The number of policemen on duty, and under pay, are as follows:

Three night patrolmen at \$2 each per night.

One at Central Depot at \$1 per night.

Two policemen have been suspended for improper conduct.

Eight new uniforms and equipments have been provided the patrolmen, at an expense of \$336, \$150 of which sum was appropriated by the Board of Aldermen, the remainder was paid by the patrolmen.

There has been constructed in the Police Station, seven wardrobes, to be used by the police in keeping their uniforms and equipments.

The property in my hands at the Police Station, owned by the City, is in good order and sufficient for present use.

James Durham, patrolman, died on the 17th day of October. He had been connected with the police department about three years, and had been on patrol duty about two years prior to his decease. In his death the city lost a judicious, faithful and efficient officer.

There are at the present time, only three prisoners confined in jail at the expense of the city.

The pay-roll for patrol service this year is \$2,118.77. Last year it was \$2,951.87—a reduction in expense of \$833.11.

Again, I respectfully urge, that the citizens, if at any time any article should be lost by theft or upon the streets, though of but trifling value, they inform some one of the police thereof, that immediate and vigilant care will be exercised by them to recover and return articles lost to the proper owner, and to bring the offending party, or parties, to justice.

A good deal of property lost by theft or accident during the past year, has been recovered by the police, at little or no expense to the loser, and doubtless more would have been recovered if the losers had promptly informed the police.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. DREW,

Chief of Police.

Burlington, January 1st, 1875.

REPORT.

OF THE

CITY JUDGE.

SUMMARY OF FINES AND COSTS IMPOSED BY

M. R. TYLER,

Judge of the City Court, in cases where said fine and costs
were adjudged payable to the City of Burlington.

January 1st, to December 31st, 1874, inclusive.

*132 Cases against 162 persons.

	Fines.	Costs.
31 cases, fine and costs paid into Court, and to City Treasurer,.....	\$123 03	\$302 49
58 cases, mittimus issued, and delivered to officers for collection,.....	925 02	708 85
7 cases committed to jail,.....		65 50
4 cases appealed to County Court, (2 not entered and mittimus issued,).....	59 00	46 58
2 cases exceptions to Supreme Court, 1 } judgment affirmed, and the other } not entered,.....	5 00	28 86
5 cases sentence suspended,.....		68 41
18 cases acquitted,.....		199 27
7 cases <i>nolle pros</i> entered,.....		60 22
132	\$1,112.05	\$1,480.18

M. R. TYLER, *City Judge.*

Burlington, Jan. 15, 1875.

* NOTE.—By vote of the Board of Aldermen, names of the criminals in the cases summarized above, are omitted from the published report, but are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

REPORT

OF THE

POLICE JUSTICE.

SUMMARY of fines and costs imposed by JOHN B. HOLLENBECK, Justice of the Peace, the said fines and costs being payable to the City of Burlington, from January 1, 1874, to January 1, 1875.

* 7 Cases.

	Fine.	Costs;
1 Case, breach of Peace, fine and costs paid to City Treasurer,	\$ 1 ..	\$5 70
1 do Assault and Battery, fine and costs paid to City Treasurer,	2 ..	5 70
1 do Breach of Peace, mittimus issued, ..	1 ..	10 62
1 do Vagrancy, 30 days in jail,		6 04
1 do Petit Larceny, acquitted and discharged,		12 58
1 do Assault and Battery, acquitted and discharged,		6 76
1 do Breach of Peace, acquitted and discharged,		6 26
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	\$4 00	\$53 66

JOHN B. HOLLENBECK,

Justice of the Peace.

* NOTE—By vote of the Board of Aldermen, the names of the criminals, in the cases summarized above, are omitted from the published report, but are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

REPORT

OF THE

CITY ATTORNEY,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1874.

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, }
BURLINGTON, January 1, 1875. }

To the City Council:

I have the honor, as City Attorney, to present the following report of the transactions and business of the office for the year ending December 31, 1874.

At the commencement of the present year there were pending in the County Court for this County, one suit against the city, the case of Woodhouse *et al*; and in the Court of Chancery for this County, the case of Walker *vs* the City. The former case being an appeal from the decision of the Street Commissioners, assessing the lands of appellants, for the construction of a public sewer through a portion of College Street, was fully heard before the Commissioners appointed by the County Court, during the past summer, and they made their report to the September Term of the County Court, in which they assessed the lands of the appellants the same sums assessed upon them by the Street Commissioners.

They also found that said sewer was amply sufficient in every respect to properly drain the premises of the appellants. Said report was confirmed by said Court, and judgment given for the City, and the appellants alleged exceptions, but subsequently abandoned them, and brought the case before the recent term of the Supreme Court for the County, for review upon *certiorari*, and a full hearing and argument was had upon the questions of law arising upon the report of said Commissioners; but being one of the last cases heard, it was not disposed of during the term, but lies with the Court. I have no doubt the judgment of the County Court will be affirmed at an early day.

Walker's case was discontinued, with costs, at the last April term, thereby ending the litigation in regard to the argument of Green Mount Cemetery.

There were entered at the last April Term of the County Court, three street and highway cases against the City, viz: one against L. Platt and Bishop DeGoesbriand,—these being appeals from the decisions of the Street Commissioners awarding damages for the taking of the land of appellants for the extension of Willard street north,—and the other being an application of John O. Northrop and others, to have the location of that portion of North Avenue running adjacent to and through the lands of said Northrop, changed, and such portion discontinued. Commissioners were appointed in each of said causes, and the County Court, at said April term. DeGoesbriand's case was disposed of soon after said term, by the appellant agreeing to accept the damages awarded him by the Street Commissioners, in consideration that the latter would discontinue a small portion of a street, near the termination of said Willard street extension, which I am informed was done, or is to be done. The case was discontinued, without costs, at the next September term. In Platt's case, a hearing was had before the Court Commissioners during the summer, lasting several days,—the principal part of controversy being the amount of damages to be allowed the appellant,—she claiming some three thousand dollars. The Street Commissioners had awarded her \$1,567: the Court Commissioners, in their report, awarded her \$1,800,—being \$233 more than the award below. The County Court, at its last September term, confirmed said report of its commissioners, and rendered judgment that each party recover their costs.

In the case of Northrop *et al.*, a hearing was also had during the summer, before the Court Commissioners, resulting in changing the location of the above mentioned portion of said North Avenue, as asked for by the petitioners, and the discontinuance of that portion herein above described. The portion of said Avenue, as changed by said commissioners, now runs through the lands of said Northrop and N. B. Flanagan, but mainly through the land of the former. No damages were awarded to either; the change being mainly for the benefit of said Northrop. I insisted that he should put the portion,

changed in location as aforesaid, in suitable condition for public travel, and the commissioners so decided. The report said commissioners was confirmed by the County Court, at last September Term, and judgment rendered that the County pay the costs, which amount to a very small sum, not more than fifteen dollars.

To the foregoing cases may be added, that of Jennie Dickson *vs.* Joseph Pelkey, a prosecution for bastardy. As the offspring was likely to become chargeable to the City, as well as the mother, the Overseer of the Poor assumed the prosecution of the suit, which was entered at the last April Term.

It having turned out that plaintiff was not pregnant, represented by the physician at the time prosecution was commenced, the case was discontinued at the last September term with costs.

In addition to the foregoing cases, which are all practically ended, is the case of William L. Strong *vs.* the Street Commissioners,—a proceeding in Chancery, commenced on the 16th day of October last, to enjoin the improvement of the City Hall Park, by discontinuing the using of certain portions thereof as carriage ways. Strong, upon the filing of his bill, obtained from Chancellor Pierpont a temporary injunction granted *ex parte*, restraining, for the time being, certain contemplated improvements of said Park. I have drawn an answer to said bill, and shall move, at the earliest opportunity, for a dissolution of said injunction, which, I am confident, will be ordered. The injunction, as it stands, among other things, requires that portion of said Park immediately west of the old Court House and City Hall,—four rods in width, and extending from Main to College streets,—to be kept open for the use of carriages, as it now is. Strong, in his bill, avers that he is the owner, not only of the lands on which Strong's building—so called—stands, but also of a strip eleven feet in width, and eighty-one feet in length north and south, lying immediately west of that portion of said building known as the old Tavern House. This strip was originally a part of, and has been used by the public as a part of said Park, for more than sixty years. I am clearly of the opinion that this claim of Strong's, as to said strip, cannot be maintained, and I find it such to be the opinion of the best lawyers at the bar. Appre-

ending that the contemplated improvements of said Park, could result in a conflict with said Strong, I presented the matter of the maintenance by Strong of said buildings upon said Park, to the Grand Jury at the last September term of the County Court, and an indictment for maintaining a public nuisance in the erection and continuance of said buildings upon said square, was found against him. I shall press, with all vigor, for a trial of this indictment at the coming April term, and am confident that we shall succeed in restoring all said Park, now in the possession of Strong—unless it be that portion covered by the King lease—to the use and occupancy of the public, to which it rightfully belongs. As to that portion covered by the King lease, it may become necessary to bring a bill in Chancery, to set aside and vacate it, and restore the land to the use intended by the trust.

The case of *Cheever vs. Shedd et al.*, mentioned in my report for last year, is still pending in the U. S. Circuit Court for this District.

During the past summer a large amount of testimony was taken on both sides, and the case is now ripe for a hearing on the merits, which I have been pressing for for the last two terms, but without success. I feel confident that the case will be heard at the coming February term. As before stated, I have no doubt but that the ultimate decision of the Court will be against the claims of Cheever, and in favor of the powers claimed by the City.

In addition to the foregoing civil business, this office has instituted during the last year, and prosecuted to judgment, ninety criminal cases, known as City cases, viz: 47 prosecutions for breach of City Ordinances, 29 for breach of the peace by various means, 10 for petty larceny, 3 for vagrancy, and 1 for cruelty to animals.

In the whole number of prosecutions (viz: 90) there were 80 convictions, 8 acquittals, and 2 cases were disposed of by a *nolle pros.*

In two cases, the respondents were sentenced to imprisonment in the county jail, and in five others, sentence was suspended, the respondents being juvenile offenders, convicted of stealing lumber from the various lumber yards of the City.

The prosecution of these youthful offenders, seemed necessary, in order to check the wholesale pilfering of lumber, and was made upon complaints of the lumber dealers.

Two of the prosecutions for vagrancy, were the cases Stewart and Cummings, two suspicious strangers, whom the police regarded as connected with the burglaries committed last summer in the city. They were held several days under the vagrant act, with the expectation that the police would be able to discover evidence of the commission of more serious crimes, but in this they failed, and the respondents were allowed to go at large, on condition that they left the State immediately, which they did.

The costs in the eight cases, resulting in an acquittal, were	\$95 9
In the two cases where the respondents were sentenced to imprisonment,	21 8
In the two cases where <i>nolle pros.</i> was entered,	20 9
In the three prosecutions for vagrancy,	36 8
In the five cases where sentence was suspended,	63 6
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	\$239 4

In two of the foregoing cases, the respondents were sentenced to the Reform School.

In these two cases, the costs of prosecution, were,	24 2
In four of said 90 cases, the respondents were committed to jail in default of payment of their fines, which amounted to \$30.	
The costs in these four cases, were,	41 6

The total amount of costs in the foregoing cases, is.. \$305 27

In some of these, the costs of prosecution may be paid by the respondents, if they are let out of jail, and given a chance to work it out.

In nearly all the other cases, the fines and costs imposed, have been collected and paid into the City Treasury. There are a few, however, where the fines and costs have not been fully paid, but are now in process of collection on mittimus, and are certain to be paid. The total amount of fines, in cases where they have been paid, or are certain to be paid into the City Treasury, is..... \$377 02

It will thus be seen that the fines paid, or certain being paid, exceed the total amount of costs in all the cases where the costs will, may or cannot, be paid the respondents, is the sum of..... \$73 75

This may be regarded as a very favorable result, where a large portion of the fines imposed for the breach of City Ordinances have been remitted. In any event, the prosecutions instituted by this office, will not occasion any costs, or expense to the City, unless it arises from the costs of keeping and guarding persons committed to jail. And in this connection, permit me to call your attention, to the necessity of devising some system or method, by which prisoners may be put to labor. There is a class of persons in this and every other city, whose presence is a constant danger to the peace and good order of society, and in a large measure, necessitates the constant employment of a police force. Imprisonment in the County Jail, with wholesome food and freedom from labor, they regard as a luxury, especially during the winter. For such a class, mere imprisonment in jail is no particular punishment. If such persons understood that imprisonment in jail, meant hard labor, for a definite period upon our public streets, or some other place, I am confident that the police business of the Courts, and Jailor's bills, would speedily decrease. If we are obliged by reason of the presence of such an element, to maintain a paid police, why not devise some system by which such criminals may be put to labor upon the public streets and works, in charge of the police? The present Statute law confers ample power upon the Courts, if the City would furnish the means. As long as we adhere to our present system of dealing with minor offenders, and the class I allude to, we may reasonably expect that the expense of the criminal department will increase annually. In this connection, I will add, that I made application to the Supreme Court, at its recent session in this city, for a writ of *mandamus*, to compel the Court Auditor to audit the bills for costs of prosecution and board, in certain vagrancy cases, upon the ground that the bar universally, as well as our several city judges, and even the Court Auditor himself, have considered that such bills should be paid by the State. But the court

refused the writ, holding, that such bills must be paid by the treasury of the municipality, where the prosecution was had.

During the past year, several suits were brought against employees of the city, in which the latter has been trustee but they have all been disposed of, without requiring any special attention from this office.

R. H. START,
City Attorney.

REPORT OF THE Chief Engineer of the Fire Department

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN :

In conformity with custom, and the rule of your honorable body, I have the honor to present to you the Tenth Annual Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department of the City of Burlington.

The report, which embraces a detailed statement of the condition of the Department at the close of the fiscal year and the working of the Department for the year just closed, is based on personal knowledge, obtained since my last report, and on the Company reports, on file in this office. I shall endeavor to present to your honorable body, in this report, all the items of interest connected with the working of the force. In it will be found a complete roll of Companies including officers and members, and a complete list of the property belonging to the department; also, a statement of the losses by fire during the year, and the number of alarms responded to.

The Engineer Department is as follows :

Chief Engineer,	H. S. WHITE.
1st Assistant,	JOHN H. CROMBIE,
2d "	WILLIAM SMITH,
3d "	E. E. BEVINS,
4th "	EDWARD F. LUCAS.

BOXER ENGINE COMPANY NO. 3.

Foreman, JOHN W. WARDLOW,

1st Asst. CHARLES E. BROOKS. Clerk, MICHAEL CUMMINGS.
 2nd Asst. E. J. MCCARTY. Treas'r. ALEX. CROSBY.

MEMBERS.

Bacon, Joseph	Henry, John W.	O'Brien, Patrick
Bostwick, O. F.	Kelly, William	O'Brien, Michael
Bacon, J. T.	Ladam, Frank	Rowe, Ransom
Brouillette, Charles	Lane, H. S.	Ritchie, Peter
Bacon, John G.	Lane, Thomas	Ryan, Richard
Cavanaugh, John	Locke, Walter	Robear, Antoine
Cunningham, Michael	Lyman, Geo.	Skahan, James
Doxey, John	Murray, Neil C.	Shortsleeves, Frederick
Doxey, A. C.	Mitchel, Daniel	Shanley, Wm.
Durham, Peter	Mitchel, Jacob	Sullivan, Timothy
Dunn, Wm.	Mason, Isaac	Stay, Maxime
Dooley, Thos. E.	McDonough, C. J.	Tyler, Charles
Dady, Michael	Mulqueen, John	Winters, Merritt
Daley, Richard S.	Maloney, Wm.	White, James
Fitzgerald, Edward	Miller, Peter	White, Ray
Foley, James	Miller, Peter Jr.	Lynch, Wm.
Freenett, Wm.	Osborn, Robert	Lafevre, Jos.
Hanlon, Wm.	O'Brien, Thomas	McMahon, Michael
Hughes, Charles		

60 members.

The Boxer Engine Company is the oldest organized Company in the City: has a Hunneman Engine, attached is a Hose Cart, which is properly a Hose Company, with 800 feet of leather Hose, and everything necessary to properly equip the Company for immediate service, all in first-rate condition.

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY NO. 1.

Foreman, RICHARD CUSHING,

1st Asst. WILLIAM H. DEAVITT, 2nd Asst. ROBERT STRONG,
 3rd Asst. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, Clerk, E. M. SUTTON,
 Auditor, WILLIAM DENNING, Steward, THOMAS BUTLER

MEMBERS.

Butler, Patrick	Fitzgerald, John	Marengo, Peter
Breslihan, John	Gorman, Edward	Mulqueen, Patrick
Cunningham, James	Hastings, John	Murphy, Michael
Collins, Matthew	Hudson, George 1st,	Murphy, George
Croto, Alexander	Powers, William	Miller, William
Croto, Jos.	Kelley, Michael	Miller, Alex.
Clark, Frank	Kennedy, Dennis	Miller, Peter
Denning, James	Kennedy, Samuel	Miller, Stephen
Delibac, Louis	Lander, Peter 3d	Mayo, George
Dugan, Michael	Lovejoy, Stephen	Russell, Thomas
Flynn, D. E.	Madigan, John	39 members

ETHAN ALLEN ENGINE COMPANY NO. 4.

Captain, A. S. DREW,

1st Asst. BUEL J. DERBY, Auditor and Trustee, A. G. STRONG,

2nd Asst. W. F. DOOLITTLE, Secretary and Treasurer, H. L. READ,

MEMBERS

Barlow, Edward	Ferguson, W. F.	Taft, Eno3 W.
Beebe, C. L.	Ferguson, C. H.	Walker Hiram
Bedord, Felix	Gates, A. E.	Ward, C. F.
Burritt, E. W.	Lane, W. H. Jr.	Ward, F. W.
Brown, J. A.	Lord, G. M.	Weller, W. E.
Brownell, C. W. Jr.	Miner, C. E.	Hagar, George I.
Catlin, W. W.	Murray, Moses	Hall, W. E.
Clark, H. N.	Peck, John E.	Harrington, H. W.
Clark, E. M.	Pierson, R. I.	Hindes, G. W.
Cole, A. K.	Powers, C. H.	Hill, H. R.
Conant, A. F.	Parker, E. C.	Johnson, S. Jr.
Converse, F. K.	Reynolds, W. G.	Lamora, Oliver
Cosgriff, T. V.	Rogers, T. P. W.	White, Napoleon
Cushman, W. M.	Smith, C. P.	White, Henry S.
Crane, G. E.	Storrs, O. S.	Whitney, C. H.
Davis, H. H.	Stearns, R. B.	Witherell, A. B.
Davis, L. M.	Taft, F. L.	Wells, Edward
Duncan, C. W. H.	Tyler, W. A.	Walker, Solomon
Van Sicklen, F. M.		60 membesr.

This Engine was built by Jeffers, the Company was organized April 24th, 1857, and has been in service 18 years, and the Engine is at this time in as good condition as when built. This Company has connected with it a Hose Cart, and 800 feet of Leather Hose, and everything needed by the Company, is in first-rate condition.

VOLUNTEER HOSE COMPANY NO. 1.

Foreman, SAYLES NICHOLS.

1st Assistant, H. R. CONGER. Clerk and Treasurer, G. S. WRIGHT.

2d Assistant, JOEL LINSLEY. Auditor, A. C. TURNER.

MEMBERS.

Avery, S. C.	Foster, C. E.	Peck, J. H. F.
Burton, D. N.	Green, W. E.	Pease, C. E.
Cutler, T. C.	Henderson, E. F.	Riley, James A.
Chase, Roger	Howe, H. G.	Shattuck, Ira E.
Cobb, F. C.	Jones, H. D.	Smith, Jerome B.
Dodge, G. M.	Langworthy, W. S.	Scully, J. B.
Dewey, F. C.	Linsley, Jo. H.	Turner, A. C.
Drake, W. B.	Loomis, George I.	Waite, W. C.
Donaldson, James A.	Loomis, H. L.	Laduke, George L.
Ferguson, O. B.	Loomis, Horatio	Le Prond, M.
Fay, F. F.	Peck, T. S.	37 members.

Of this Company I shall not try to say anything. Every one knows that where Sayles is, everything must be in order.

CLIPPER HOSE CO. NO. 6.—WARD 1.

Foreman, JOHN MURDOCK.

1st Assistant, JOHN L. MCGOWAN. Treasurer, GEORGE A. RUMSEY.

2d Assistant, EDWARD JERRY. Clerk, JOHN B. MORSE.

MEMBERS.

Bevins, E. E.	Poirier, Joseph	Gleason, Patrick
Mayo, Adolphus	Gregg, William	Johnson, John
Leclair, Peter *	Martin, Louis E.	Whitney, John
Lowther, John	McCarty, Henry	Burnise, Joseph
		16 members and officers.

This Company is located in Ward 1; was organized 1872. The cart was built by Charles B. Gray, of this city; 500 feet linen hose, and all other apparatus necessary for a good, efficient company. New hose house and meeting room; everything in good order.

STAR HOSE COMPANY NO. 2.—WARD 2.

Foreman, LOWELL C. GRANT.

1st Assistant, WILLIAM P. CONGER. Clerk and Treasurer, WM. H. DREW.

2d Assis't, EDW'D. C. RICHARDSON. Auditor, WILLIAM FAULKNER.

MEMBERS.

Beach, Joseph T.	Austin, Alfred	Perrin, David
Peters, Wilton J.	Norton, Louis	Salls, Hoyt E.
Spear, Henry J.	Hubbard, Henry	Pine, Louis
Noyes, John	Stannard, Jed	Mead, Edward A.
Sheridan, John	Langlois, Joseph	Fill, Robert M.

20 members.

This Company was organized 1872. The cart was built by Charles B. Gray, of this city; 500 feet linen hose, and everything pertaining to a well equipped Hose Company; has a suitable hose house and meeting room, located on North street, in Ward 2.

HOWARD HOSE COMPANY NO. 5.—WARD 5.

Foreman, H. G. WILLARD.

1st Assistant, C. S. MURRAY. Clerk and Treasurer, A. A. DREW.

2d Assistant, C. LAPRESE. Auditor, H. B. WILLARD.

Trustee, A. TAYLOR.

MEMBERS.

Black, J.	O'Brien, John	Willard, E. L.
Craven, William B.	Dolan, Charles L.	Mangan, William
Craven, Luke	McDonald, Joseph	Kelley, John
Coffee, Thomas	Russell, J. W.	McGrath, Owen
Coffee, Patrick	Lawrence, L. L.	Monahan, Hugh
Graton, M. C.		

22 members.

This Company was organized 1872. The cart was built by Charles B. Gray, of this city; 500 feet of linen hose, all in good condition. This Company will soon move into their new hose house. This Company is in a good condition.

BARNES HOSE COMPANY NO. 7.—WARD 3.

Foreman, JOHN H. WATERS.

1st Assistant, G. F. MEAD. Clerk and Treasurer, JOHN AHEARN.

2d Assistant, J. B. MURRAY. Auditor, W. W. HENRY.

MEMBERS.

Flaherty, Dennis	Nolan, Patrick	Dowd, James E.
Bracken, D. R.	Blythe, Adolphus	Conway, M. J.
Cosgriff, Thomas V.	O'Neal, Edward	Mead, A. A.
Lee, William H.	Foren, Dennis	Hathaway, A. T.
Farrell, Patrick	Carrigan, John	Thomas, B. W.
Dullahan, Michael	Finneren, John	Morrison, W. J.
Sullivan, Thomas W.	Finneren, Frank	Heffron, Martin
Coy, Patrick		27 members.

This Company is located in Ward 3. Was organized 1873. The cart was built by Button, Waterford, N. Y.; has 500 feet linen hose; apparatus and everything in first rate working order.

WALTER N. GREENE INDEPENDENT HOSE CO.—WARD 5.

Foreman, JAMES A. HARVEY.

1st Assistant, H. K. WEAVER. Secretary and Treas., M. C. SEYMOUR.

2d Assistant, DAVID WALKER. Auditor, W. N. GREENE.

MEMBERS.

Taft, W. A.	Phelps, W. S.	Price, H. M.
Taft, T. A.	Grindrod, Robert	Henderson, W. J.
Ostrander, B. F.	Thomas, H. R.	Kelly, John J.
Hicks, Clarence	Morgan, E. E.	Brinsmaid, Fred T.
De Garmo, F.	Henderson, J. B.	Allen, F. E.
Colbath, J. E.	Davis, George E.	Welsh, Frank
Wakefield, C. E.	Hatch, D. F.	24 members.

This is an independent hose company; house, near Kilburn & Gates' mill, on Pine street. This company has a fine house—apparatus below, meeting room above; everything will be complete in a few weeks. Some of our old companies must "git up and git," or they will find these Greene boys ahead, I judge, by the roll and names of members.

The department has on hand the old Hook and Ladder truck, which is the only apparatus of the kind we have that is fit for service. It would be manslaughter to order a line of hose on any of the ladders of our new hook and ladder truck,—which is worthless for fire purposes—only fit for parade,—and should be condemned. The department has on hand now about 4,000 feet of leather and linen hose, besides about 3,000 feet in the hands of volunteer companies and private corporations. I recommend the purchase of rubber hose for the Boxers and Allens, as our leather hose is getting old, and will soon have to be replaced by new. We have in the city nine well uniformed and fully equipped Fire Companies, with 305 members, without any exception as good firemen as can be found, and at all times ready and willing to act. The firemen begin to think that they are not appreciated; the reason is, we do not have the fires here that they do in other places.

I am glad to know that the ladies of this city are doing something for the comfort of the firemen; a better object could hardly be found for them in this city. I hope and trust the ladies will carry out what they have begun.

The losses by fire foot up this year \$300, all told. This small loss is attributed to the way the firemen get out with their apparatus, and the powerful aid of our water works,—ordinarily, no use for engines.

The alarms have been as follows :

January 6, 1874, one-story cottage, on Maple street, owned by John Soragen, loss	\$5,00
January 15, R. Cushing's house, Battery street, no loss.	
February 1, two alarms, one at Stanton House, one at County Jail, no loss.....	
June 28, corner Main and Battery streets, house of Cooney's, loss.....	20,00
July 17, corner Champlain and Cherry street, dwelling house and store, Patrick McKenzie, loss,	150,00
September 2, alarm at Sentinel office, no loss.....	
September 3, alarm at Shepard, Davis & Co.'s mill, no loss	
December 3, corner of Battery and Bank street, house of James Lee, loss	125,00

The expense of running the Fire Department for 1873, proper, is less than \$1,000, although the last report foots up \$4,943.38. The Water Department could as well charge the Fire Department \$5,000, as well as \$2,135.83, for water that never was used. This only swells the expense of the Fire Department, and swells the receipts of the Water Department.

The number of men belonging to the Fire Department of this city, including officers and members, amount to three hundred,—all good working men.

I cannot close this report without expressing my thanks to the Ass't Engineers, and to the officers and men of the entire department, for the cheerful spirit in which they have severally executed my orders, and for their courteous and friendly demeanor towards me. As it has been thirty-one years since I went into the Fire Department, never before this time have I seen every branch thereof on the most friendly terms. Not an ill feeling exists, to my knowledge, between the firemen of this city. As this ends my two years, I hope the next Chief will have as pleasant a time as I have had with the firemen. All our relations have been entirely pleasant. With only seven alarms in a year, it is too dull business for me—not duty enough to keep the firemen interested.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. S. WHITE,
Chief Engineer.

REPORT.

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

BURLINGTON, VT., Jan. 15, 1875.

To the Honorable the City Council of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with the Rules of the Board, which direct them at their annual meeting to make a detailed Report to the City Council, of the affairs of the Library,—the Trustees of the Fletcher Free Library, beg leave to present the following Report :

Since we took the Trust on which the Free Library is founded, we have received and spent as follows :

Cash received of Mrs. and Miss Fletcher,.....	\$10,000 00
Interest on Certificate of Deposit,.....	296 11
" " Library Fund,.....	197 33
	\$10,493 44
Cash paid for Books,	\$8,541 29
" " Binding,.....	258 88
" " Printing.....	93 75
" " Freight,	86 53
Cash for expenses purchasing,.....	228 81
Cash in bank,.....	284 18
Certificate of Deposit, (with interest,).....	1,000 00
	\$10,493 44

We did not enter upon the purchase of Books, till we had cast about, how we might buy to the best advantage. And we believe it will be found, we have done well with our money.

We were fortunate to be buying at a time when the book trade was rather down, and when we might take advantage of the wish of book-sellers to get orders. Our purchases both in this country, and in England, have turned out more favorable in respect of cost, than we reckoned when we sent out our lists. And in respect of the cost of books, choice of editions, &c., it has proved worth while, that a good portion were bought by some one of the Trustees, or the Librarian, right off the shelves of the book-sellers,—all not so bought, have been subject to careful inspection and collating.

Our Book-Lists, took time and pains to make out; but no more than we were bound to take, in order to due fulfilment of our trust. The result is gratifying, in the mark we have been able to set for the Library, at the start. We believe the books will be found to stand comparison, in quality, if not yet in numbers, with the selection in town libraries much older and richer than ours. It will not be expected, that at the beginning, our classes will be all full. To make each complete, waits still on a good deal of time and care. All that could be attempted, was to make a right beginning in each of them, and this, we hope, has been done. The fullest classes, are those of Fiction, History, Biography and Travel, for in these will follow the bulk of the reading. These are the ones which the popular use of the Library will take from most, and it has been the intention to make them at once, as full as possible. The important class of English Literature, is also well begun, and the gaps in it, are such as can be readily filled. French Literature, is represented by a not large, but careful selection from the classics of that language, and from contemporary writers. German Literature, is yet postponed to more important needs. But it is purposed to make a beginning here directly, with a few of the more important names. In specialties of Science, of the Fine and Industrial Arts, of Mechanics, Medicine, &c., we can say, again, that we have made a good beginning. But it is in these classes that books cost most, and they are filled, therefore, gradually, except where private generosity shall set apart separate funds, looking to their particular increase. For these, Lists were sought from gentlemen in the community, best informed in these specialties; and the books, therefore, may be expected to be

such as are immediately useful. Perhaps as important a portion of the Library, as any, is the Reference department. But here, too, the books are costly, and much waits to be done in the way of Encyclopædias, Atlases, Sets of Reviews and Dictionaries of particular lines of study and research. It is hoped the beginning which has been made, will be found to promise well for this Department, which will probably be the best used, if not the most used, of any in the Library.

The present number of volumes is about 7,200. These are all now fairly down in the Catalogue of Accessions, and the classification will go on just as fast as the alcoves shall be made ready. This Catalogue is the parent record of the Library, and was the first thing to take in hand. It contains the history of every book which comes on to the shelves. Twelve headings: the title, cost, style of book, from what source obtained, kind of illustration, binding, &c., &c., all to be seen at a glance, for each volume. Out of this, are to be made the classification, that thing of first importance, the Reading Catalogue, Finding List, Shelf List, &c. The work here indicated, is not merely important work, but indispensable. It has to be done in the first instance, at what looks to be unreasonable expense of time, in order, that in the end, the Library may be the most convenient and useful possible. It is what the foundation is to a house, you cannot have your home comforts, and household uses without that. And it is as reasonable to begin to build on a quicksand, as to think to start a Public Library on other ground than this slow, painstaking, and this care about the first steps, which may seem to be over-nice and tedious, but only due and safe. It costs time and money. But nothing is got for nothing. And nothing is well prepared or comes out satisfactory, without this. In the long run, the first steps taken without this foreseeing pains, is found to cost more time and money, than to set the right foot foremost at starting, at however slow a pace. Such has been the experience of public libraries, which have undertaken to go on a false start, endless worry to their officers, endless dissatisfaction to their readers, and undue cost to run them; such has been the result experienced from first mis-steps and mis-calculating, and from not making haste, in the beginning, slowly.

The Trustees are well aware that their action must seem, some, to have been slow, and that it will still appear to be tardy. Their slowness indeed, would be some dismay to themselves, had it not been forced upon them, at the first moment of this undertaking, that it was, once for all, out of the question to hurry it. Nothing was to be gained by this, except fret and shiftless work. And the peril to the Library, was too great a risk to run. They must fulfill their trust to the best of their conscience and care, at all hazards.

They have preferred to disappoint what seemed to be a just expectation in their fellow citizens, as to a speedy opening of the Library, in order not to bring them into more serious disappointment, presently, by introducing them to slipshod and confusion, where all should be well ordered and exact. By the terms of their trust, they are bound to do nothing less than fulfill it, and they feel that they must take particular care at first, that small mistakes may not be made now, to prove great perplexities by-and-by, nor loose ends be left flying now, to weave into serious entanglements, after a while; but there is what weighs with them more strongly than legal terms, by the sense which they hold with the rest of the community, of the generosity of the donors of the fund, and by sympathy with their public spirit and purpose to endow the future as well as the present, with benefit, they find themselves more closely bound than by the terms of their document. And it is their intention to use extreme carefulness, in order to place the Library on a footing which experience proves to be stable, and to settle it as near as possible, on just that plan, which shall ensure the largest and best use of it.

We are making a longer story of our report, than we thought, but it is necessary, in order that your honorable board and the citizens, may learn something about the many things to do, and the much to prepare, which we find indispensable to put the Library fairly on its feet, and make it secure, so far as may be secured to go well.

At risk, however, of being at length, we cannot close without expressing the sense we have of the readiness your committee on the Library have shown, to consider the wishes of the trustees, and to furnish the needs of the Library, in respect of having the water put in, shelving, warming, &c. And

we must not omit to express also, the obligations we find ourselves under, to those who have been prompt to enrich the Library with valuable gifts: to the Young Mens' Christian Association, Young Mens' Association, and to the Hon. David Read, Geo. H. Morse, Esq., Dr. Samuel Worcester, and others who have thus betimes given substantial token of their good will to this undertaking, and of their feeling of the importance and of the promise of it. Their gifts are noted in the catalogue of accessions, and also in special record of gifts to the Library. They have given an example of enlightened public spirit, which the Trustees will be more than glad to see followed, and they fully expect to, for what has happened elsewhere, is likely to happen here, and we look to have the Library steadily on the increase, not only of regard, but of benefaction from the citizens, till it shall grow into one of our City's chiefest honors and prime distinctions. Gifts to it are likely to increase, and the natural growth of it which the interest on the fund, entitles us to set at 500 volumes yearly, make an addition to our shelf-room more than double what we have now, at once needful. This matter is in the hands of your committee, who are not slow to see the necessity of a case when it is set before them. When this additional shelving shall be done, what is indispensable to the Library-room in the way of external fitting, like desk, book-cases, &c., would seem all to be done. On the whole, so far, it looks well, and all are to be congratulated upon the quite convenient and comely lodging in which the Library will find itself. Much of this fitting will come in play, when by private munificence, or public vote, a proper building shall be built for the Library, such as shall worthily enshrine its present and future riches and ensure it, so far as fire-proof may, from destruction. In closing, the Trustees desire to thank the City Council, for naming a special committee of their number, to look after the interests of the Library, and for what they have voted, to give it proper room and furnishing, it is their belief that the City can hardly be better served in respect of what is highly useful and honorable, than by a generous policy towards its Free Library. And they beg leave to make one last suggestion: the City has received a handsome gift; we ought to show our appreciation of

, by a liberal provision for making it as useful as possible to the people. If the donation had been made on the condition that it should be met by an equal sum from the City, we should have thought ourselves highly favored; now that a very much smaller, but still considerable sum is needed, it ought not to be withheld or grudgingly given. The value of a public library depends largely on the apparatus for its handling and distribution. Many of our citizens have been in error in imagining that a large public Library can be efficiently managed without considerable expense.

We do not blame the City Council for any reluctance to furnishing the necessary funds out of their treasury, scanty as it is, for meeting the many demands upon it, but we think it would be good economy for the citizens, at their annual meeting, to vote for their Library, such a sum as may be needed, for putting it in a thoroughly good condition for use.

L. G. WARE, *Secretary*.

BURLINGTON.

The City of Burlington was incorporated in 1865, with population of about 6,953. The census of 1870 revealed population of 14,387, showing a gain in five years of *over one hundred per cent.* The present population of the City is *estimated* at between 17,000 and 18,000, and the evidences are palpable that the City is still increasing in population and wealth.

The present Report closes the City Record, for its first *decade*. Assuming that the population of the City has not materially varied in the twelve months last past, Burlington enters a second decade, with a population nearly three times that of ten years ago. Many changes have taken place in the mean time: Grading and curbing, have greatly improved many of our thoroughfares—though street improvement can truly be said—only to have *commenced*. By far the greatest changes have been made, in the removal of old buildings and *rookeries*, and in the erection in all parts of the city of new substantial and tasteful buildings. Along our Lake front, the wharfing has been very greatly extended, and, “acres upon acres” of land made, by filling all along the Lake shore, and the whole territory is covered by immense lumber yards, and large mills. During the period, also, the Passenger Depot of the Central Vermont, at the foot of College st., has been completed, and in architectural design, will favorably compare with other structures for the same purpose in other cities. Among the public buildings erected during this period, have been the City Market building, at a cost of..... \$10,000 .
The High School building “ “ 30,000 .
The Adams Grammar School, at a cost, with the land upon which it stands, of nearly..... 20,000 .
The Pomeroy Grammar School, with the land on which it stands, of nearly..... 18,000 .
The building formerly used as a Court-house, situated on the easterly side of the City Hall Park, has meantime been purchased by the city, thoroughly renovated, painted and repaired, at a cost of some \$15,000, and is now devoted to the use of the

Fletcher Free Library—an institution founded by Mrs. Mary L. Fletcher, and Miss Mary M. Fletcher, upon a liberal foundation, and destined to become one of the most valued of our public institutions. It will be opened to the public the present year. The County of Chittenden, has caused to be erected a Court house of cut and hammered stone, commenced in 1871 and completed in 1873,—a very substantial and elegant building, costing between 50 and \$60,000, and said to be equal to any in New England, for the purposes for which it has been built. Nearly all of our churches, have also, during the past ten years, been either built, or almost entirely remodeled and enlarged, all, at an expenditure of many thousands of dollars. Among them, the Cathedral church of St. Mary's, (Roman) on St. Paul street; 3d Congregational, on College street, and the First Methodist Episcopal, on Winooski avenue, have been erected, and are all fine and costly buildings.

Through the liberality of the friends of the University of Vermont, an Art Gallery has been erected, connected with the Library of that institution, and now contains a choice collection of Art Treasures. The "Home for Destitute Children"—an Institution located about two miles south of the City Hall, has been very considerably extended and enlarged, and the area of its good work, daily becoming more widely extended. This philanthropy, from very small beginnings, has now a property valued at over \$20,000, supported entirely by individual efforts, and it has never been a State or Municipal beneficiary.

The "Providence Orphan Asylum and Hospital"—under the care of the Sisters of Charity,—an institution connected with the Roman Catholic Church, has become a power for good works in our midst, and it is constantly extending the area of its charitable labors.

And while these public institutions and buildings, (and the foregoing sketch does not, by any means, recount all) have been taking shape and direction, the business facilities, and home improvements of our citizens, have grown even more rapidly. Whole streets have been built up, and others so re-modeled and improved, that the visitor of ten years ago, can scarcely recognize old land-marks. Evidences of business thrift, and individual wealth, abound all around us, and though

the depression of enterprise, so universal throughout the country, has not spared Burlington, still, there are not wanting, proofs, that our city is destined to recover from it, and attract capital, for profitable investment in business and manufacturing enterprises, to a greater extent than she has yet done.

The vital statistics of the city are shown, for the last four years, to be as follows :

	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
Births,	329	350	311	299
Deaths,	146	157	227	153
Marriages,	95	91	104	104

Of births, there were 14 in Ward One ; 62 in Ward Two ; 55 in Ward Five ; 112 in Ward Three ; 56 in Ward Four—total, 299. Born—142 of American parents ; 90 of Canadian parents ; 54 of Irish parents ; 6 of German parents ; 6 of English parents ; 1 of Scotch parents—total, 299, of which the month of August was the most prolific,—there being 35 births in that month. The number each month is as follows : January, 28 ; February, 18 ; March, 20 ; April, 24 ; May, 27 ; June, 20 ; July, 24 ; August, 35 ; September, 20 ; October, 32 ; November, 22 ; December, 29—total, 299 ; and of the number, five “pairs of twins”—four of them, in Ward Five. Males, 133 ; Females, 166.

The assessed valuation of the real estate of the city, as established by the Legislature of the State of Vermont, is 50 *per cent.* of assessors’ valuation, viz.:

Assessors’ valuation	\$5,433,685 38
As established by State Board of Assessors	\$2,716,842 69
Add personal estate (in same ratio)	804,222 64
Add 1,956 polls, at \$2	\$3,912
Less firemen, 177, at \$2	354 3,558 ..
Add 223 dogs, at \$1	223 ..
One per cent. of real and personal estate, as above, is	\$35,199 65
Add polls and dogs, as above	3,781 ..
*Makes the Grand List for State, County and City taxes	\$38,980 65

*All State, County and City taxes are raised by percentage on this amount.

The bonded debt of the city (principally incurred for water works) is \$279,900, and a sinking fund was created, co-incident with the debt, which now holds \$25,481 70, for the redemption of the bonds of the city, and this fund will, without doubt, ultimately retire the bonds, without additional taxation.

The city has no floating, or temporary debt, at this date.

The appraisal of the real estate of the city in

1865 was.....	\$2,225,369 60
In 1875, it is.....	5,912,402 74
Add to this the public property, appraised at...	547,100 ..

Gives a total of.....\$6,459,502 74

And we have a valuation of six millions four hundred and fifty-nine thousand five hundred and two dollars.

The taxes have averaged about one per cent. per annum during the ten years past (including State and County taxes) upon the assessors' valuation, multiplied by *two*, the valuation as established by the State Equalization Board being about 50 per cent. of market value.

Compared with other cities of the country, of like population and wealth, our taxes have been low, and our affairs have been economically administered.

Owing to faults in our State laws, much the largest proportion of personal estate, *i. e.*, bank stocks, bonds, merchandise, etc., wholly escapes taxation. We have at least two millions of bank capital located here, properly taxable, yet the entire amount of "*personal estate*" set for taxes in our Grand List is only \$804,000, nearly \$70,000 *less* than appeared in our Grand List ten years ago, and yet one banking institution in our midst, has grown in that time from less than \$50,000 to upwards of a million and a half of dollars. It is fair to assume that the value of the personal estate of the city, has increased fully as much as the real estate, and would give us fully \$4,000,000, a sum which, doubtless, will by many competent to judge, be considered a very low figure. The capital of three banks of our city, collectively, is upwards of two and a half millions of dollars.

The following page shows a carefully prepared valuation of city property, made January 1, 1875:

VALUATION OF CITY PROPERTY, JAN. 1, 1875.

High School corner College and Willard streets,	\$30,000
Graded School on Pine street,	12,000
School property on North avenue,	1,000
do do on corner North and Murray streets..	4,000
do do on Cherry street,	2,500
do do on Union street (new)	20,000
do do on Chase Street,	3,000
do do on North street (new)	18,000
do do corner Main and Union streets.	9,000
Hose house on Colchester avenue.	1,000
do do on Union street.	1,000
do do on North Street	600
City Hall Building.	36,000
Fletcher Library building.	15,000
Engine and Stone Crusher, and buildings, horses tools, &c., &c., Street Department.	9,000
Fire Engines, Hose Carriages, Hook and Ladder appa- ratus, &c., Fire Department.	9,000
City Water Works and franchise.	350,000
Engine and H. & L. houses.	1,000
City Market and land.	15,000
Apparatus of Department of Street Lights	3,000
75 acres land and buildings, Poor-farm	10,000
Total.	<u>\$550,100</u>

Total liability of the city, less than 50 per cent. of the value
of city property.

REPORT

OF THE

CITY TREASURER.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
BURLINGTON, December 31, 1874. }

To the City Council of the City of Burlington:

Your Treasurer submits the following statement:

BILLS PAYABLE—WATER BONDS.

Amount issued at last statement.....	\$225,000 00
Amount issued during the year.....	30,000 00
Total issue.....	<u>\$255,000 00</u>
By amount cancelled by Sinking Fund.....	10,100 00
Balance outstanding.....	<u>\$244,900 00</u>

BILLS PAYABLE—IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

Amount issued at last statement.....	\$ 20,000 00
Amount issued during the year.....	15,000 00
	<u>35,000 00</u>
Making the total bonded debt outstanding.....	\$279,900 00

NOTE.—Sinking Fund, \$25,481 70.

BILLS PAYABLE—LOANS.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1873.....	40,934 22
“ Merchants National Bank, temporary.....	7,500 00
“ Interest account.....	130 79
	<u>\$48,565 01</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Merchants National Bank, for loans,	30,000 00
Burlington Savings Bank, balance of High	
School building loan.....	4,430 79
	<u>\$ 34,430 79</u>

The balance, \$14,234 22, is due the Trustee of United States Deposit Fund, borrowed to build school houses on Union and North streets.

BURLINGTON WATER WORKS—CONSTRUCTION.

RECEIPTS.

Amount from late account, Dec. 31, 1873,..... \$455 47

DISBURSEMENTS.

To amount of disbursements to Dec.

31, 1873..... \$235,041 82

WAR.

Paid John Collins, trenching in
1873..... 1 \$339 30

Paid B. S. Nichols & Co., work,
&c., in 1873..... 277 2,443 44

B. S. Nichols & Co., inter-
est in 1873..... 139 64 63

Patent Water and Gas Pipe
Co., laying pipe in 1873, 98 3,649 20

John Collins, interest in
1873..... 139 5 08

6,501 65

E. W. Chase, land damage
for laying pipe..... 203 50 00

W. Zottman, Supt., for
April, 1874..... 94 10 31

Patent Water and Gas Pipe
Co., laying pipe in 1873, 855 00

E. Johnson, Supt., from April 25, to Dec. 31, 1874, war. 114, 161, 179, 242, 296, 313, 324, 354,	4,465 76
Discount on \$30,000 bonds 5th and 6th series.....	2,166 00
	7,547 07
	<u>\$249,090 54</u>

BURLINGTON WATER WORKS.

CURRENT EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

From W. Zottman, Superintendent.....	\$ 58 22
Collections water rates, 1873 and '74.....	1,832 70
Charged other departments, for 1874 and '75,	1,668 00
Collections water rates, 1874 and '75.....	14,126 11
City taxes to balance.....	10,549 72
	<u>\$28,234 75</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
Paid J. K. Converse, tax refunded.....	283	\$ 4 00
D. C. Linsley, pumping 1 quarter, to Dec. 31, 1873.....	2	1,184 54
W. Zottman, Supt., for January.....	31	134 41
“ “ February.....	37	136 58
“ “ March.....	83	139 38
“ “ April.....	95	336 25
Elmore Johnson, Supt., from April 25 to Dec. 31, 1874, war. 113, 160, 181, 243, 298, 311, 326, 356.....		1,394 75
Water bond interest account.....		18,186 17
Water works pumping account, war. 31, 37, 83, 95, 113, 162, 180, 244, 297, 312, 325, 355.....		6,718 67
		<u>\$28,234 75</u>

BURLINGTON WATER WORKS—PUMPING.

RECEIPTS.

From water rates, collections transferred....	\$6,718 67
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To William Zottman, Superintendent.....	667 59
Elmore Johnson, Superintendent.. ..	6,051 08
	<u>\$6,718 67</u>

BURLINGTON WATER BONDS—INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

From late account, December 31, 1873.....	\$17,972 37
Water works, current collections.....	18,186 17
Accrued interest on 6th series bonds...	150 00
	<u>\$36,308 54</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To amount from late account, Dec. 31, 1873,	16,082 54
Ninth National Bank, interest, January	
1, 1874.....	6,400 00
Ninth National Bank, interest, July 1,	
1874.....	6,479 00
Ninth National Bank, interest, January	
1, 1875.....	7,347 00
	<u>\$36,308 54</u>

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

RECEIPTS.

From H. H. Doolittle, Commissioner, balance unex-	
pended on Locust Street Cemetery.....	\$ 42 40
Mayor's Warrant No. 16, for water and rent.	130 00
Interest on water bond of \$100, 18 months...	9 00
Sales of burial lots in Lake View.....	1,162 87
	<u>\$1,344 27</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance from late account, Dec. 31, 1873.....	256 67
School Department, 2 years rent Glebe No. 10..	30 00
Dan Lyon, Commissioner, for interest on bond,	6 00
“ “ per receipt.....	1,162 87
Burlington water works.....	100 00
	<u>\$1,555 54</u>

CITY HALL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, Treasurer, for hall rents.....	\$1,356 00
H. S. White & Son, store rent.....	300 00
G. M. Peterson, “	300 00
A. A. Harrington, agent, store rent....	133 33
“ “ “ for coal.....	7 00
M. W. Hosmer, “ for rent of store....	67 67
S. K. Wells, for office rent.....	40 00
Old iron sold.....	7 40
Police office, for coal and water.....	36 00
City taxes to balance.....	601 78
	<u>\$2,849 18</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Roby Bros., repairs.....	^{WAR.} 3	\$69 87
Elmore Johnson, repairs.....	22	2 74
Burlington Gas Light Co.....	34 and 35	110 19
A. G. Lucas, glazing.....	21, 38, 56	32 60
H. S. White, oil, brooms, &c	6	3 32
Wheelock & Griffin, repairs.....	18 and 54	14 40
G. L. Linsley, bill of coal.....	109	128 96
“ “	377	60 80
G. S. Blodgett & Co., repairs.....	67	2 50
Nash & Wardlow, “	131	56 16
Repairs and cleaning.....	152	55 80
Burlington Gas Light Co.....	128	125 87

A. G. Lucas & Son, glazing.....	150	5 25
Lowry & Montgomery, painting.....	163	141 72
Stone & Perrault, repairs.....	173	12 00
Brink & Co., for iron columns.....	209	525 60
L. Austin, for wardrobe in police office...	212	24 45
Burlington Gas Light Co.....	225	67 93
Ripley & Holten, for paint.....	240	180 20
Vt. Mutual, for insurance.....	250	33 75
Wheelock & Griffin, for repairs.....	236	13 07
L. Austin, repairing furniture.....	282	7 95
Stone & Perrault, repairs.....	271	28 15
G. W. Hindes, insurance.....	285	93 75
Nash & Wardlow, repairs.....	287	12 87
Roby & Brothers, repairs.....	289	414 30
Burlington Gas Light Co.....	308	87 00
P. T. Sweet, for plumbing.....	314	45 25
A. G. Lucas, for glazing.....	348	5 65
S. K. Wells, for wood.....	284	5 50
Shepard, Davis & Co., lumber.....	256	2 80
City Treasurer, disbursements for hall...	352	46 56
S. K. Wells, for coal.....	355	16 75
Gottlieb Black, janitor, 6 months.....	} 360	163 00
A. A. Whitney, " 8 "		228 47
Burlington water works.....	369	24 00
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		\$2,849 18

CITY REAL ESTATE.

RECEIPTS.

From sale of house and lot at Falls.....	\$350 00
" " hose house "	25 00
Rent of house "	45 00
Sale of Maiden Lane school house.....	2,000 00
" " Champlain st. " "	1,962 67
" " Smith's Lane " "	1,416 92
" " school houses on Colchester Avenue,	1,500 00
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	\$7,299 59

DISBURSEMENTS.

Balance January 1, 1874.....	WAR.	\$18,786 40
To Mrs. Seaver, for Star Hose house.....	97	125 00
Louis Germain, on account of land north side North street, for Star Hose house, 125		150 00
A. J. Hathaway, moving hose house of Mrs. Seaver to North street.....	220	49 00
Walker & Hatch, for sash for hose house, 233		1 85
G. N. Willard, for stone " "	255	28 25
Lyman Austin, for work on hose " "	265	72 80
C. Blodgett, Son & Co., for lumber for hose house.....	213	95 21
Nash & Wardlow, for plumbing hose house	287	22 48
Stone & Perrault, for mason work on hose house.....	271	40 50
School Department, for school house on Union street for Howard Hose Co.....	374	900 00
		<u>\$20,271 49</u>

CITY MARKET.

RECEIPTS.

From W. F. Weston & Co., for rent,.....	\$208 33
L. Underwood. "	300 00
	<u>\$508 33</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Vermont Mutual Insurance Co.....	250	\$13 50
Incidental Department,		494 83
		<u>\$508 33</u>

CITY TAXES,—1873.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of collections, Dec. 31, 1873.....	\$28,618 90
“ Collections for 1873.....	1,271 33
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	\$29,890 23

DISBURSEMENTS.

To City Taxes for 1874.....	26,483 24
Incidental Department.....	2,106 99
Fletcher Free Library, appropriation.....	1,000 00
“ “ “ “	300 00
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	\$29,890 23

CITY TAXES,—1874.

RECEIPTS.

From City Taxes for 1870-'71-'72	\$ 181 93
“ “ “ 1873	26,483 24
“ “ “ 1874	41,924 55
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	\$68,589 77

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Pauper Department, Appropriation.....	\$5,500 00
Criminal Department,.....“.....	2,000 00
Street light “ “.....	2,500 00
Fire “ “.....	3,000 00
Fletcher Free Library “.....	1,500 00
High School Building, “.....	6,304 39

	WAR.	
Arthur Barnes' poll tax, Refunded,.....	290	4 10
Jo. Laflamme, dog " ".....	299	1 70
W. F. Hutchins, poll " ".....	281	3 70
John Hyde, error in " ".....	245	4 14
J. L. Barstow, " " ".....	175	30 00
Bowman, poll " ".....	165	2 00
O'Dea, dog " ".....	176	1 00
O. J. Walker, error in " ".....	197	24 80
Eugene Lake, dog " ".....	178	1 00
Solomon Francis, dog " ".....	122	1 94
A. Duhammell, " ".....	221	3 89
A Collins, cow " ".....	223	37
C. F. Clark, dog " ".....	205	1 85
Dan Dionisius, poll " ".....	246	3 70
Jas. McCaffrey, cow " ".....	251	56
A. A. Drew, error in " ".....	291	7 55
Thos. St. Dennis, dog " ".....	293	1 78
College Park, appropriation.....		300 00
Poor Department, appropriation.....		200 00
Water Works, current balance,.....		10,549 72
Interest and discount on Improvement Bonds,		1,489 50
Interest on Improvement Bonds to Ninth Nat.		
Bank,.....		1,693 25
South Burlington, Interest on U. S. D. F.....		23 27
City Hall Department,.....		601 78
Interest account,.....		2,683 78
Poor Department,.....		937 23
Fletcher Free Library,.....		1,363 10
Incidental Department,.....		4,524 70
Criminal Department,.....		2,383 33
Fire Department,.....		591 54
Street Department, Construction.....		1,267 30
		<u>\$49,506 97</u>

CRIMINAL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From M. R. Tyler, Judge of City Court, fines and costs,	\$460,04
J. B. Hollenbeck, Justice	" " " . . . 14,40
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police for mittimusess,	188,72
H. S. White, Constable " "	56,02
F. S. Francis, Policeman, " "	27,63
Henry Halo, " " "	57,26
O. Lamora, " " "	53,47
Appropriated from City taxes,	2,000 00
City taxes to balance,	2,383 33
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	\$5,240 87

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance, January 1st, 1874,	\$1,118 45
John Ready, fine remitted,	32 ^{WAR.} \$5,00
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	36 17,10
M. R. Tyler, Judge of City Court for costs,	10 137,88
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police for police services, . .	11 632,00
M. R. Tyler, Judge of City Court for costs,	78 195,05
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police for police services, . .	76 318,27
" " " Sheriff, boarding prisoners,	90 263,50
F. S. Francis, Policeman,	112 1,10
H. N. Coon, police badges,	124 24,00
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	129 16,15
M. R. Tyler, Judge of City Court for costs, . . .	177 276,89
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police for police servicess, .	194 508,00
" " " " " " " " police uniforms,	195 150,06
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	226 19,95
John B. Hollenbeck, Justice, for costs,	263 18,50
M. R. Tyler, Judge, for costs,	280 659,23
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	310 21,80
H. Halo, committing prisoners,	337 5,50
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police,	336 812,00
A. G. Lucas, for glazing,	328 4,50
Burlington Water Works, for water,	8,00
City Hall Department, for 4 tons coal,	28,00
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	\$5,240 87

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From Appropriation,	3,000 00
“ City Taxes to balance,	951,54
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance January 1st, 1874.....	947,83
	WAR.
E. M. Sutton, Clerk Hook & Ladder, No. 1....	29 \$100,00
C. L. Dolan, Treas. Howard Hose Co.,	13 33,25
W. H. Drew, “ Star Hose Co.,	14 37,15
J. Wardlow, “ Boxer No. 3,	27 50,00
W. E. Weller, “ E. A. No. 4,	81 30,59
W. Zottman, Supt., for Clipper Hose Co.,	12 5,70
Free Press Association, Advertising,	64 10,60
W. H. Drew, Treasurer Star Hose Co.,	82 11,25
J. Murdock, Foreman, Clipper Hose Co.,	86 20,60
G. F. Morse, Ringing Fire Alarms,	108 10,00
J. F. Dowsing, “ “ “	107 8,00
W. H. Drew, Treas. Star Hose Co.,	153 8,25
W. H. Lee, “ Barnes Hose Co.,	136 84,81
J. L. Dolan, “ Howard Hose Co.,	23 27,00
Merchants National Bank, Rent,	143 50,00
W. E. Weller, Treas. E. A. No. 4,	166 52,94
Wheelock & Griffin, for Clipper Hose Co.,	99 13,19
J. Wardlow, Foreman Boxer No. 3,	196 50,00
J. W. Madigan, for Barnes Hose Co.,	66 1,10
Merchants National Bank, Rent,	5 and 73 100,00
H. J. Nelson, for Barnes Hose Co.,	26 42,50
“ “ “ Clipper Hose Co.,	26 37,50
B. S. Nichols & Co., for Barnes Hose Co.,	171 17,54
St. Marys' Band, for Annual Muster,	269 50,00
Freight on Fire Alarm Bell,	258 26,44
J. Carruth, for Star Hose Co.,	257 12,50
H. Roby & Bros., Hanging Bells,	259 80,50
James Wakefield, “ “	292 56,00

Merchants National Bank for Rent,.....	277	50,00
Star Hose Co., Current Expenses,.....	286	20,00
Barnes Hose Co., “ “	321	35,70
Hook & Ladder Co. “ “	318	50,00
Howard Hose Co., “ “	320	58,50
Clipper Hose Co., “ “	322	38,50
E. A. Engine Co., “ “	319	59,00
Star Hose Co., “ “	317	10,00
J. F. Dowsing, Ringing Alarms,.....	331	6,00
G. F. Morse, “ “	330	9,00
Boxer Engine Co., Current Expenses,.....	327	67,70
Barnes Hose Co.,.....	30 and 60	12,50
Burlington Water Works, from January 1st, 1874, to January 1st, 1875.....		1200,00
		<u>\$3,591 54</u>

COLCHESTER—TOWN OF

RECEIPTS.

From Town Treasurer, repairs on Heineberg Bridge in 1873,.....	\$186,55
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To $\frac{1}{2}$ part of repairs on Heineberg Bridge, to Street Department,.....	\$186,55
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GREEN MOUNT CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance from late account, Dec. 31, 1873.....	\$281 35
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HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

RECEIPTS.

From City taxes, Appropriation.....	6,304 39
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance from late account, Dec. 31, 1873.....	6,304 39
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FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

From City Taxes, appropriation, current expenses,	\$1,500 ..
City Taxes, appropriation for Catalogue...	300 ..
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	\$1,800 ..

DISBURSEMENTS—CURRENT EXPENSES.

	WAR.	
To T. P. W. Rogers, Librarian.....	142	\$200 ..
G. W. Hindes, insurance on books,.....	170	21 ..
T. S. Peck, do do	169	35 ..
Burlington Gas Light Co.....	227	14 25
T. P. W. Rogers, Librarian,.....	254	200 ..
G. W. Hindes, insurance on books.....	261	35 ..
Vt. Mutual Insurance Co., on building...	250	13 50
Burlington Gas Light Co.....	309	14 54
Ira E. Shattuck for incidentals,.....	316	11 01
Miss H. H. Ames, for making Catalogue..	323	100 ..
Mark Thompson, for printing,.....	346	4 10
S. Huntington & Co., stationery,.....	343	50 24
T. P. W. Rogers, Librarian, incidentals, ..	345	12 40
Allen & Stone, for incidentals.....	344	5 50
S. K. Wells, for coal.....	355	15 75
T. P. W. Rogers, Librarian.....	362	200 ..
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		\$932 29

FURNITURE.

To E. W. Chase, for book-cases.....	51	\$180 00
Young Men's Christian Association, for tables and chairs,.....	91	50 ..
P. T. Sweet, for stove, &c.,.....	123	41 14
Lapoint & Tatro, for one Desk.....	172	180 84
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		\$1,381 27

FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY BUILDING.

RECEIPTS.

From sales of old boards,.....	\$6,00
City taxes, appropriation,.....	1,000,00
City taxes, to balance.....	1,363,10
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	\$2,369 10

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To Elmore Johnson, for repairs of Library Room,	51	\$95,87
Nash & Wardlow, " repairing Roof,.....	51	24,35
Spaulding, Spence & Co., for Painting in		
Library Room,.....	51	67,00
S. R. McLane, for painting in Library Room,	51	20,00
Robert Thornhill, for plastering in Library		
Room,.....	51	16,15
A. Tatro, for carpenter work in Lib. Room,	51	19,50
C. Blodgett, Son & Co., for Boards,.....	23	87,13
City Treasurer, for paid repairs in Library		
Room,.....	9	6,25
Wheelock & Griffin, for Gas Fitting, in		
Library Room,.....	41 & 51	45,06
Nash & Wardlow, for repairing Roof and		
Conductors,.....	132	125,79
A. G. Strong, for paints in Library Room,..	51	44,25
A. G. Lucas & Son, for glazing, in Library		
Building,.....	51	5,75
Lowry & Montgomery, for painting Library		
Building,.....	163	183,75
A. G. Lucas & Son, for windows, Library		
Building,.....	157	256,40
City Treasurer, for sundry bills, painting		
and cleaning inside, and wall outside,...	164	79,29
Librarian, for incidental repairs,.....	164	11,54
T. W. Fisher & Co., bill of paper for		
Reading Room,.....	159	9,40
Stone & Perrault, Mason Work, repairing		
wall, &c.....	173	103,52
City Treasurer, bill painting and cleaning,.	167	24,50

Walker & Hatch, for inside Blinds, in		
Library Room,.....	199	122,25
Brink & Co., for Iron Grates,.....	210	18,88
Winooski Lumber Co., for timber in		
Boxer Room,.....	208	24,06
Ripley & Holton, for paints on Library		
Building,.....	239	272,49
John E. Spence, for oiling blinds in		
Library Room,.....	235	21,87
Lowry & Montgomery, for painting in		
Reading Room,.....	234	9,38
Geo. I. Hagar, for lock, E. A. E. Co. No. 4,	238	3,75
L. Austin, for repairs in Boxer Room,....	265	35,10
L. Austin, " " " Library "	265	48,10
T. W. Fisher, for paper in E. A. E. No. 4,.	260	5,90
C. Blodgett, Son & Co., for lumber in		
Boxer Room,.....	266	5,67
Wheelock & Griffin, repairing Gas in		
Library Building,.....	237	27,01
Nash & Wardlow, sewer &c.,.....	287	75,71
Stone & Perrault,.....	271	54,53
Roby & Bros., repairing Reading Room, &c.	288	403,17
A. G. Strong, for Hardware,.....	332	6,64
A. G. Lucas & Son, for Glazing,.....	348	2,00
George I. Hagar, for Hardware,.....	342	6,79
		<u>\$2,369 10</u>

HIGHWAYS, LAND DAMAGES, AND ASSESSMENTS.

RECEIPTS.

From Assessment Collections..... \$179 ..

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance from late account, Dec. 31, 1873..... \$259 00

A. A. HARRINGTON, AGENT.

RECEIPTS.

Liquors from City Agency.....	\$3,266 83
Cash from City Treasurer, for salary.....	200 ..
" " " " Incidentals	60 55
" " " " Rent, &c.....	146 33
" " " " Insurance.....	18 75
Profit and Loss,.....	\$169 39
	<u>\$3,861 35</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To City Treasurer,.....	1,800 ..
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IMPROVEMENT OF STREETS AND SEWERS.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Street Department, 1st series Bonds,.....	\$15,000 ..
" " 2nd " "	3,525 ..
" " Discount on 2d series.....	225 ..
	<u>18,750 00</u>
To Sewer Department, 1st series Bonds,.....	5,000 ..
" " 2d series, "	1,175 ..
" " Discount on 2d series....	75 ..
" " 3d series Bonds,.....	9,250 ..
" " Discount on 3d series....	750 ..
	<u>16,250 00</u>
Total,	<u>\$35,000 00</u>

IMPROVEMENT BONDS,—INTEREST AND DISCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

From accrued interest on \$20,000 first series.....	\$348 75
" " 5,000 second series....	39 50
" " 10,000 third series.....	208 ..
Transfer to Sewer Department.....	750 ..
" " " "	300 ..
" to City Taxes for balance of discount, ..	1,450 ..
	<u>\$3,096 25</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Discount on \$20,000, first series.....	\$1,450 ..
Transferred to Improvement Bond interest acc't,	348 75
Discount on \$5,000, second series.....	339 50
Discount on \$10,000 third series.....	750 ..
Transferred to Improvement Bond interest acc't,	208 ..
	<u>\$3,096 25</u>

IMPROVEMENT BONDS,—INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

From accrued interest received, 1st series.....	348 75
" " " 3d series.....	208 ..
City taxes to pay interest to Ninth National Bank, N. Y.,.....	1,693 25
	<u>\$2,250 ..</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Ninth National Bank, for interest due Jan- uary 1, 1874.....	600 ..
Ninth National Bank, for interest due July 1, 1874.	600 ..
Ninth National Bank, for interest due Jan- uary, 1, 1875.....	1,050 ..
	<u>\$2,250 00</u>

ELMORE JOHNSON, SUPERINTENDENT.

RECEIPTS.

From City Treasurer.....	\$11,992 51
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To Burlington water works, current.....	1,394 75
" " construction.....	4,465 76
" " pumping.....	6,051 08
	<u>\$11,911 59</u>

INCIDENTAL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From City taxes, 1873, for sundry bills of Street and	
Sewer Departments.....	\$2,106 99
City Market, for rents collected,.....	494 83
License Department, for licenses collected..	646 88
Liquor Agency	1,922 41
City taxes,	4,524 70
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	\$9,695 81

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To Mark Thompson, for printing.....	282	\$ 2 36
Free Press Association, for printing.....	8	12 00
R. S. Styles, for printing.....	7	12 75
W. Scott, for binding	46	51 48
W. H. Root, rate bill and registration re-		
turns to Secretary of State.....	19	107 10
A. Blythe for repairs of room in Ward 3...	48	2 ..
S. Huntington & Co., for stationery.....	25	34 67
Paid Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, see Res-		
olution, March 24, 1873 .....	..	1 08
Mark Thompson, for printing.....	72	16 55
D. C. Barber & Co., for room rent.....	58	11 ..
H. L. Moore, repairing room in Ward 1....	50	4 ..
H. L. Dodge, Clerk of School Depart- }		
ment, returns of births and deaths,.. }	20	80 70
D. Roberts for legal services.....	75	10 ..
R. S. Styles, for printing.....	80	52 35
Free Press Association, for Annual reports	62	374 25
" " " for Health Department	63	3 25
W. H. Root for Office expenses.....	88	13 55
C. H. Clark, Clerk for Assessors.....	85	63 87
A. P. Grinnell, Health Officer.....	24	27 75
Hatch! Lithographic Co., for 5th series bonds	89	115 ..
A. P. Grinnell, Health Officer.....	84	25 ..
R. H. Start, City Attorney,.....	92	205 40
C. F. Ward, Trustee U. S. D. Fund, two		
year's salary.....	79	50 ..

To M. Thompson, printing for assessors.....	100	74 50
A. N. Merchant, for printing and adv't....	102	49 45
H. H. Atwater, coroner's inquest, W. Buchanan	111	12 ..
M. Mulqueen, clerk for assessors.....	116	60 ..
F. W. Hickok, " "	117	33 ..
H. L. Moore, " "	118	40 50
Lake View Cemetery, for water and rent..	16	130 ..
Street Department, for bills transferred..		1,183 29
" " for repairs Heineberg bridge		746 20
Sewer " for bills transferred.....		177 50
J. R. Hickok, clerk for assessors.....	133	21 ..
R. S. Styles & Son, printing for assessors,	135	6 ..
W. G. Shaw, legal services.....	130	50 ..
W. Gibbs, expenses Decoration Day. ...	140	150 ..
City Treasurer, for office expenses.....	137	6 58
M. Mulqueen, clerk for assessors.....	145	65 ..
H. H. Davis, stationery for assessors.....	147	3 40
C. F. Ward, Auditor	126	12 50
C. Wainwright, clerk for assessors.....	146	21 ..
W. Scott, binding for "	154	36 40
S. Huntington & Co., for stationery.....	156	25 42
C. J. Alger, for attorney fees.....	148	7 70
R. S. Styles, printing for Treasurer.....	149	1 35
Free Press Association, for printing.....	158	15 25
B. B. Smalley, clerk fees in U. S. Court, Cheever vs. City.....	168	54 75
E. H. Phelps, City Engineer.....	174	121 05
L. B. Englesby, Auditor.....	149	12 50
A. P. Grinnell, Health Officer.....	270	45 25
W. H. Root, for records, &c.....	193	104 90
M. Mulqueen, clerk for assessors.....	190	128 25
F. J. Hendee, Assessor.....	188	380 ..
Free Press Association, printing.....	183	19 75
Wales & Taft, legal services.....	182	59 ..
" 2 chandeliers.....	204	10 ..
A. G. Watson, Assessor.....	189	296 ..
L. A. Bishop, Commissioner on College st. sewer.....	202	39 ..
Hatch Lithographic Co., 6th series Bonds,	198	50 ..

To	H. S. White, clerk for Assessors.....	119	13 50
	T. & A. Duguay, for timber.....	211	2 53
	L. F. Wilbur, Commissioner on College st. sewer	200	50 60
	Charles Leclair, for damages to wagon ...	228	3 ..
	J. W. Hickok, Assessor.....	229	240 ..
	A. G. Watson, Assessor,.....	230	112 20
	R. S. Styles for printing	231	44 65
	Jo Langlois, for damages on highway...	247	15 ..
	W. H. Root, for Office expenses.....	267	16 95
	Vt. Mutual Insurance Co., on bridges....	250	14 36
	M. Mulqueen, clerk for Assessors	262	75 ..
	A. P. Grinnell, Health Officer.....	252	25 ..
	E. H. Phelps, City Surveyor.....	264	214 45
	Converse and Cushman, for ice,	268	8 ..
	James S. Peck, for fees, Cheever vs City..	199	28 ..
	Dan Lyon, Commissioner, removing sol- diers' remains from Hospital grounds to Lake View Cemetery.....	278	25 ..
	M. Mulqueen, completing Grand-List....	276	47 50
	C. J. Alger, in settlement with Street Com- missioners	288	23 ..
	C. S. Kinsley, advertising.....	273	4 ..
	M. Thompson, printing,..... 214 and	272	35 75
	T. S. Peck, Insurance, bridges.....	304	21 65
	Luther Whitney, dredging in basin.....	300	225 ..
	J. E. Montmarquet, medical services.....	303	21 50
	S. Huntington & Co., stationery.....	307	39 72
	W. B. Lund, medical services.....	302	51 50
	Free Press, advertising.....	315	22 50
	Mark Thompson, printing.....	338	2 ..
	S. M. Pope, Auditor.....	215	12 50
	J. L. Mason, Commissioner on College street sewer	201	43 80
	W. H. Root on account of General Index.	349	125 ..
	C. W. Porter, copy of charter.....	341	10 ..
	A. N. Merchant, advertising,.....	334	78 95
	H. H. Atwater, medical services.....	347	45 ..
	Free Press, advertising.....	335	6 50

To J. Lowry, painting signs.....	340	10 ..
W. W. Atwater, advertising.....	274	2 50
A. Austin, flag staff.....	333	7 00
City Treasurer, Office expenses.....	351	16 10
L. C. Dodge, Mayor, 6 month's salary, ending April 1, 1874,	357	250 ..
W H. Root, Clerk, 12 month's salary, ending December 31, 1874	358	800 ..
G. D. Weller, Treasurer, 12 month's salary, ending December 31, 1874.....	359	1,000 ..
Burlington Water Works, for 10 watering troughs, \$250. Fountain in park \$30.		
Street Sprinkler, \$50.....	369	330 ..
A. Taylor, removing trees	253	50 ..
A. Bossell " "	206	1 50
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		\$9,695 81

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

From Bank account on deposits.....	\$121 27
City taxes to balance.....	2,683 78
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	\$2,805 05

DISBURSEMENTS.

To South Burlington, on U. S. D. Fund.....	376	\$23 27
Burlington Savings Bank, interest on loan.....	376	233 44
C. F. Ward, Trustee, in't on U. S. D. Fund.....	376	427 02
School Fund, interest on U. S. D. Fund....	376	893 34
W. H. Thomas, Mayor's Warrant....	139	8 94
Bills payable,	376	130 79
Burlington Savings Bank on High School Building	376	237 71
Bills payable on temporary loans	376	850 54
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		\$2,805 05

LICENSE DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From hotels, saloons, carriages, auctioneers and circus.....	\$646 88
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To incidental department.....	\$646 88
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LIQUOR AGENCY—M. W. HOSMER, Agent.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1873.....	\$ 778 42
M. W. Hosmer, Agent, for sales.....	2,076 22
Invoice liquors to A. A. Harrington, Agent,	1,400 79
Kegs and bottles charged A. A. Harrington, Agent.....	16 25
	<hr/> \$4,271 68

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To S. J. Loop, for brandy,.....	4	\$22 00
I. D. Richards & Sons,..... war. 179, 204, 275		714 83
Paris, Allen & Co., bill,.....	281	256 75
J. A. Webb, bill,	65	86 78
I. D. Richards & Son, bill,..... war. 44, 45, 74		736 54
M. W. Hosmer, Agent, salary six months,.....		288 34
City Hall, for rent four months,...		67 67
Davis, Clark & Co., bill brandy,.....	121	222 00
Incidental account for profit and loss,.....		1,753 02
Carr & Blanchard, bill,.....	187	123 75
		<hr/> \$4,271 68

LIQUOR AGENCY—A. A. HARRINGTON, Agent.

RECEIPTS.

From A. A. Harrington, Agent, for sales.....	\$1,800 ..
A. A. Harrington, Agent, liquors on hand, charged to new account.....	2,017 25
A. A. Harrington, Agent, charged to new account for cash on hand.....	44 10
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	\$3,861 35

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To Davis, Clark & Co.....	122	\$115 53
J. A. Webb.....	110	158 67
Erwin & McKelsey.....	120	68 75
Erwin & McKelsey.....	186	410 75
“ “	207	362 25
J. A. Webb.....	249	197 10
F. J. Dunbar & Co.....	191	87 38
A. A. Harrington.....	294	12 50
I. D. Richards & Son.....	185 and 217	294 61
Carr & Blanchard.....	354	141 75
A. A. Harrington, on salary \$75, inci- dentals \$17 19.....	184	92 19
A. A. Harrington, on salary \$75, inci- dentals \$40 59.....	363	115 59
A. A. Harrington, on salary \$50, inci- dentals \$2 77.....		
R. S. Wires, insurance.....	283	18 75
Burlington water works.....		6 ..
City Hall Department, for rent.....		133 33
“ 1 ton coal.....		7 ..
Liquor Agency, for kegs and bottles....		16 25
Invoice of liquors of M. W. Hosmer....		1,400 79
Incidental account, profit and loss....		169 39
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		\$3,861 35

D. C. LINSLEY, SUPERINTENDENT.

RECEIPTS.

From City Treasurer..... \$22,000 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Street Department.....	10,626 30
Sewer "	9,854 20
Street Light Department.....	17 27
College Park.....	296 35
City "	641 25
Battery "	10 ..
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	\$21,445 37

MINISTERIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From collections of lease lands.....	\$31 88
Balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1873.....	18 ..
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	\$49 88

DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. Barlow, Treasurer 1st Congregational Society..	24 94
J. W. Hickok, Treasurer 1st Calv. Congregational	
Society..... war.	370 24 94
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	\$49 88

PARKS—CITY AND BATTERY.

RECEIPTS.

From tax collections..... \$2,098 06

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To City Park.....	151	4 50
D. C. Linsley, Supt., for City Park.....		641 25
H. R. Wing, appropriation for Battery		
Park.....	367	300 ..
D. C. Linsley, Supt., for Battery Park....		10 ..
Taxes refunded, war. 175, 165, 176, 197, 178		2 94
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		\$958 69

PARK—COLLEGE.

RECEIPTS.

From city taxes—appropriation.....	300 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To D. C. Linsley, Supt.....	296 35
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PATENT WATER AND GAS PIPE COMPANY.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To cash on account, per receipt.....	\$130 ..
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POOR DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1873.....	\$	20 76
City taxes—appropriation.....		5,500 ..
“ “		200 ..
“ “		937 23
		<u>\$6,657 99</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To A. B. Lowry, Overseer of Poor.....	WAR.	134	1,700 ..
“ “ “		218	897 02
“ “ “		248	1,050 ..
“ “ “		353	2,823 74
“ “ “		364	187 23
			<u>\$6,657 99</u>

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance from late account, Dec. 31, 1873....	\$2,428 97
School Commissioners.....	9,000 ..
School Clerk, for tuition.....	22 ..
Bond interest.....	148 46
United States Deposit Fund.....	1,906 80
Tax collections.....	21,564 13
Rent collections.....	188 05
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	\$35,258 41

DISBURSEMENTS.

To School Commissioners' warrants.....	30,270 52
Taxes refunded on Mayor's warrant 16.....	29 40
Transfer to North Street School House—con-	
struction.....	271 23
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	\$30,571 15

SCHOOL HOUSE, NORTH ST.—CONSTRUCTION.

RECEIPTS.

From transfer to School Department,.....	\$271,23
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To A. W. Allen, for land, in 1873,.....	\$2,045,11
School commissioners' warrants in 1873,.....	2,938,91
School commissioners' " " 1874,.....	9,807,30
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	\$14,791 32

SCHOOL HOUSE, UNION ST.—CONSTRUCTION.

RECEIPTS.

From City for School House on Union St.,..... \$900,00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Francis L. Austin, for land, in 1873,..... 3,000 00

School commissioners warrants, in 1873,..... 9,745 95

School commissioners “ “ 1874,..... 3,517 00

\$16,262 95

Total cost of Land and Buildings, 31,054 27

Less paid by City for land,..... 5,045 11

Cost of Buildings,.... \$26,009 16

Less transfer to School Department,..... 271,23

\$25,737 93

Deduct the following assets :

U. S. D. Fund Loan,.....\$14,234 22

Smith's Lane School House,..... 1,871 57

Maiden Lane “ “ 2,000 00

Champlain St. “ “ ... 1,962 67

Colchester Av., “ “ 1,500 00

Union St., “ “ 900,00 22,468 46

Balance,.....\$3,269 47

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS,

From Assessment Collections,.... 2,210 24

Sundry bills transferred to incidental Dep't,... 177,50

Sales of Improvement Bonds, 1st series,..... 5,000 00

Sales of “ “ 2nd “ 1,175 00

Sales of “ “ 3rd “ 10,000 00

\$18,562 74

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance from late account December 31st, 1873,.. 6,412 83

Paid V. G. Barbour, Sewer Plans, War. 115 130,00

D. C. Linsley, Superintendent, Construction,.... 9,854 20

Discount on \$10,000 in Bonds, 7½ per cent,..... 750,00

\$17,147 03

SINKING FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1873.....	\$9,926 02
Sinking Fund—tax collections.....	4,188 56
Interest received for coupons.	1,090 50
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	\$15,205 08

DISBURSEMENTS

To taxes refunded by Mayor's warrants,	\$5 88
Paid for \$7,100 city bonds, war. 376, .6,567 50	
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	\$6,573 38
NOTE—There is belonging to this fund in city bonds.....	16,850 ..
Cash on hand not invested.....	8,631 70
Add bonds purchased and cancelled prior to January, 1872.....	10 100 ..
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	\$35,581 70

SOUTH BURLINGTON.

RECEIPTS.

From city taxes, to pay interest on U. S. Deposit Fund,	\$23 27
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To John E. Smith, Treasurer, interest.....	\$23 27
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STREET DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From town of Colchester, for one-fifth repairs on Hineberg bridge.....	\$186 55
Highway tax of 1873,.....	179 57
Incidental Department, bills transferred..	1,183 29
" " repairs Heineberg bidge	746 20
Street Department, construction, for grading Union street,.....	1,267 30
City Improvement Bonds, 1st series.....	15,000 ..
" " " 2d " 	3,525 ..
Highway tax, 1873 and '74, collections....	8,456 20
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	\$30,544 11

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance January 1, 1874,.....		\$17, 465 98
	WAR.	
V. G. Barbour, Maps and Surveys....	15	101 ..
Johanna Donahue, for broken leg....	69	200 ..
C. Blinn, for damage to person	68	40 ..
H. N. Newell, for damages to horse...	70	50 ..
V. G. Barbour, Maps and Surveys....	43	20 ..
John Landon for one scraper.....	61	15 ..
W. H. Thomas, for grading Union st.	285	531 64
John Lowry, painting signs,.....	53	88 80
H. Blood, Lanterns,.....	47	9 ..
D. C. Linsley, for derrick,.....	77	123 22
A. Laduke, for damages to horse and carriage.....	49 and 87	6 50
Walker Bros., for 21 monuments....	42	21 ..
A. P. Grinnell, for medical attendance to Mrs. Donahue,.....	101	37 50
J. L. Barstow, for tax refunded.....	175	6 ..
Bowman & O'Dea, for tax " 165 and	176	60
O. J. Walker, " "	197	4 96
Eugene Lake, " "	178	20
D. C. Linsley, Superintendent Gen- eral Repairs of Streets,.....		5,459 35
D. C. Linsley, Sup't, tools and stock..		902 56
" " improvement of sts.		4,212 65
" " Heineberg bridge repairs		8 ..
" " Patchen road bridge repairs.....		43 74
		<u>\$29,347 70</u>

STREET DEPARTMENT—CONSTRUCTION.

RECEIPTS.

From City taxes, appropriation, \$1,267 30

DISBURSEMENTS.

To William H. Thomas for grading Union street \$1,267 30

STREET LIGHT DEPARTMENT.

. RECEIPTS.

From balance, January 1, 1874.....	\$76 50
Appropriation from City taxes.....	2,500 .. \$2,576 50

DISBURSEMENTS.

		WAR.	
To Burlington Gas Light Co.....	33	354	27
F. W. Dole, for lighting lamps.....	315	9	90
M. W. Hosmer, Agt. for alcohol.....	39	2	75
G. S. Appleton, freight on lamps,	40	1	89
Chas. E. Adams, for Lamp Globes,...	52 and 59	39	25
A. Tatro, for lighting lamps.....	71	56	37
Drew & Perry, for " "	57	150	..
Wheelock & Griffin, for repairs.....	17 and 55	26	37
John Madigan for lighting lamps.....	106	47	08
A. Tatro, for " "	104	52	..
G. F. Collison & Co., for repairs.....	105	37	17
C. S. Huntington, for lighting lamps.....	103	20	..
W. A. Tyler, for repairs.....	93	1	50
Vt. Central Railroad, for freight.....	138	1	37
John Madigan for lighting lamps.....	141	47	08
Burlington Gas Light Co.,.....	127	330	75
Brink & Co., for lamp posts....	144	18	..
A. G. Lucas & Son, for repairs.....	155	14	70
John Madigan, lighting lamps	167	47	08
" " " "	219	47	08
Geo. E. Barrows, for lanterns	216	12	..
Burlington Gas Light Co.,.....	224	369	57
G. F. Collison, for repairs.....	232	25	77
John Madigan, lighting lamps	279	94	16
Chas. E. Adams, for globes.....	275	16	25
Vermont Central, for freight.....	275	1	89
John Madigan, for lighting lamps.....	301	47	08
Burlington Gas Light, Co.....	307	389	61
L. O. Thomson, for lighting lamps.....	305	25	..
G. F. Collison, for repairs of lamps.....	339	22	..
A. G. Lucas, for glazing.....	329	1	20
D. C. Linsley, Superintendent, for Repairs..		17	27
		<u>\$2,326</u>	<u>41</u>

BALANCE SHEET, DEC. 31, 1874.

	DISBURSE- MENTS.	RECEIPTS.	DR. BALANCE.	CR. BALANCE.
Bills payable, water bonds.....	\$10,100 00	\$255,000 00		\$244,900 00
Bills payable, improvement bonds.....		35,000 00		35,000 00
Bills payable, loan U. S. Deposit Fund...	24,340 79	48,565 01		14,234 22
Burlington water works, construction. . .	249 090 54	455 47	\$248,635 07	
Burlington water works, current.....	28,234 75	28,234 75		
Burlington water works, pumping.....	6,718 67	6,718 67		
Burlington Water Bond, interest account.	36,308 54	36,308 54		
Cemetery Commissioners.....	1,555 54	1,344 27	211 27	
City Hall Department.....	2,849 18	2,849 18		
City Real Estate.....	20,271 49	7,299 59	12,971 90	
City Market.....	508 33	508 33		
City taxes, 1873.....	29,890 23	29,890 23		
City taxes, 1874.....	49,506 97	68,589 77		19,082 80
Criminal Department.....	5,240 87	5,240 87		
Colchester, Town of.....	186 55	186 55		
Fire Department.....	3,591 54	3,591 54		
Fletcher Free Library, current.....	1,384 27	1,800 00		415 73
Fletcher Free Library, building.....	2,369 10	2,369 10		
Green Mount Cemetery Association.....	281 35		281 35	
Harrington, A. A., Agent.....	2,061 35		2,061 35	
High School building.....	6,304 39	6,304 39		
Highways, land damages and assessments.	259 00	179 00	80 00	
Improvement of streets and sewers.....	35,000 00		35,000 00	
Improvement bonds, interest and discount.	3,096 25	3,096 25		
Improvement bonds, interest account....	2,250 00	2,250 00		
Interest account.....	2,805 05	2,805 05		
Incidental Department.....	9,695 81	9,695 81		
Johnson, Elmore, Supt.....	11,992 51	11,911 59	80 92	
License Department.....	646 88	646 88		
Liquor Agency.....	8,355 03	8,355 03		
Linsley, D. C., Supt.....	22,600 00	21,445 37	554 63	
Ministerial Fund.....	49 88	49 88		
Parks, City and Battery.....	958 69	2,098 06		1,139 37
Parks, College.....	296 35	300 00		3 65
Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co.....	130 00		130 00	
Poor Department.....	6,657 99	6,657 99		
School Department.....	30,571 15	35,258 41		4,687 26
School House North Street, construction..	14,791 32	271 23	14,520 09	
School House Union Street, construction.	16,262 95	900 00	15,362 95	
Sewer Department.....	17,147 03	18,562 74		1,415 71
Sinking Fund.....	6,573 38	15,205 08		8,631 70
South Burlington.....	23 27	23 27		
Street Department.....	29,347 70	30,544 11		1,196 41
Street Department, construction.....	1,267 30	1,267 30		
Street Light Department.....	2,326 41	2,576 50		250 09
Cash balance.....	1,067 41		1,067 41	
	714,355 81	714,355 81	330,956 94	330,956 94

BURLINGTON, December 31, 1874.

G. D. WELLER, *City Treasurer.*

We have examined the foregoing statement of the City Treasurer, together with the vouchers for the items of each department, and find the same correct.

WM. G. SHAW, }
M. MULQUEEN, } *Auditors.*
M. A. EVARTS, }

January 26, 1875.

CITY ATTORNEY'S ACCOUNT

From May 1, 1874, to January 1, 1875.

May 1. To Term fee in Cheever vs. Shedd <i>et al.</i> , February Term U. S. Circuit Court,.....	\$7,00
To Term fee in Northrup <i>et al.</i> vs. City, petition for laying out and altering highway, part of North Ave., April Term, Chittenden County Court,.....	7,00
May 6. To one day's service before Commissioners in Woodhouse <i>et al.</i> vs. City, (sewer case,).....	10,00
May 11. To services in examining law and writing opinion on the question of the authority of the Board of Aldermen to destroy certain Liquors in City Agency, (alleged to be unfit for use,) at request said Board,....	3,00
May 21. To one half day's services before Commissioners, in case Woodhouse <i>et al.</i> vs. City,.....	5,00
May 29. To services in looking up matter of St. Albans sending one John Adams, a pauper, to this City, and correspondence with overseer of poor of St. Albans,...	1,00
June 11. To one day's service before Commissioners, in case Woodhouse <i>et al.</i> vs. City,.....	10,00
June 30. To making writ in case City vs. Wm. Cameron, to recover for board furnished his son, while in jail on civil process,.....	2,00
June 30. To services in said cause, before Justice Ballard,.....	3,00
June 30. To services in collecting license fees from Clegg, Appleton & Son, Derby & Ford, and H. H. Howe, at request City Treasurer,	2,00
July 1. To one day's service before Commissioners, in case Woodhouse <i>et al.</i> vs. City,.....	10,00
July 12. To one day's service in looking up witnesses and in preparing for the taking of testimony in Cheever vs. Shedd <i>et al.</i> in U. S. Circuit Court,.....	10,00
July 15. To services on argument of case Woodhouse <i>et al.</i> vs. City, before Commissioners,.....	15,00

July 16. To one days service taking testimony in Cheever vs. Shedd <i>et al.</i> before Peck, Com'r.,.....	10,00
July 17. " " " " "	10,00
July 22. " " " " "	10,00
July 23. " " " " "	10,00
Aug. 2. To term fee case Cheever vs. Shedd <i>et al.</i> , July Term U. S. Circuit Court at Windsor,.....	7,00
Aug. 2. To two day's service in attendance upon said term of said Court, to get hearing in said cause,.....	15,00
Aug. 2. To cash paid for railroad fare, to and from Windsor to attend July Term U. S. Circuit Court,.....	9,..
To Cash paid Hotel bill, while in attendance upon said term of said Court,.....	5,..
Aug. 8. To one half day's service before Commissioners, in Woodhouse <i>et al.</i> vs. City, in resisting application of plaintiffs for a modification of Com'rs. report,.....	5,..
Aug. 10. To drawing disclosure of City as trustee in case Verran vs. Donlin,.....	50
Aug. 11. To drawing up order for health officer to serve on H. H. Howe, ordering him to remove certain hogs from the American Hotel premises,.....	3,..
Aug. 29. To one day's service in looking up witnesses, getting survey and plans and making preparations for hearing in case Ellen Platt vs. City, before Commis'rs.,	10,..
Sept. 1. To services in drawing up contract, at request of street Commissioners, between Henry Green, <i>et al.</i> and the City, relative to the construction of a sewer through portion of Loomis and Union Streets,.....	2,..
Sept. 2. To one day's service before Commissioners, in case Ellen Platt vs. City,.....	10,..
Sept. 3. To one half day's service before Commissioners, same case,.....	5,..
Sept. 7. To one day's service before Comm'rs, same case,	10,..
Sept. 8. To services on argument of said case, before Commissioners,.....	10,.
Sept. 11. To services before Street Commissioners, on hearing on petition of divers citizens for discontinuance of highway through City Hall Park,.....	10,..
Sept. 12. To one day's service before Commissioners in Northrup <i>et al.</i> vs. City,.....	5,..

Sept. 23. To services in drafting resolution relative to the improvements of City Hall Park, by discontinuing the using of a portion thereof as a carriage-way,....	2,..
Oct. 6. To term fee in Cheever vs. Shedd <i>et al.</i> , October term U. S. Circuit Court at Rutland,.....	7,..
Oct. 6. To one day's service in attending said term of said Court, to get hearing in Cheever vs. Shedd <i>et al.</i> , 10,..	
To cash paid Railroad fare to and from Rutland, to attend said term of said Court,.....	5 50
Oct. 6. To cash paid hotel bill while in attendance upon October Term, U. S. Circuit Court, at Rutland.....	3,..
To services in making brief in case Cheever vs. Shedd <i>et al.</i> , and preparing said cause for hearing before Circuit Court.	15,..
Oct. 10. To paid Mark Thompson, for printing brief in said cause.....	14,..
Oct. 12. To services in examining law and charters, and drafting amendments to city charter, at request of committee of Board of Aldermen, and in attending meeting of said committee.....	20,..
To term fee in Woodhouse <i>et al.</i> , vs. City, Sept. Term, Chittenden County Court.....	7,..
To term fee in Platt vs. City, same term, said court, and arguing question of taxation of costs.....	7,..
To term fee in case Northrup <i>et al.</i> , vs. City, at said term of said court.....	7,..
To term fee in Dickinson vs. Pelkey, bastardy case, prosecuted by Overseer of Poor, discontinued at said term.....	3,50

COURT CLERK'S FEES.

To paid Clerk's fees in Dickinson vs. Pelkey, April Term, 1874, County Court.....	1,58
To paid Clerk's fees on discontinuance of said case, Sept. Term, 1874, said court.....	50
To paid Clerk's fees for Commission in De Goesbriand vs. City.....	1,..
To paid Clerk's fees for Commission in Ellen Platt vs. City.....	1,50

To paid Clerk's fees for exemplification of record in Cheever vs. City, for use as evidence in Cheever vs. Shedd <i>et al.</i> , in U. S. Circuit Court.....	2,50
To paid Clerk's fees for certified copy of record in case State vs. Thomas, for use in case Strong vs. Wales, <i>et</i> <i>al.</i> , in Chancery.....	2,..
To paid Clerk's fees for judgment, recording, taxation and Commission in Northrup <i>et al.</i> vs. City.....	4,92
To term fee in case Dickinson vs. Pelkey, bastardy case, prosecuted on behalf of city by Overseer of Poor, April Term, 1874, Chittenden County Court.....	7,..
To paid County Clerk for Commission and rule in Woodhouse <i>et al.</i> vs. City.....	1,75
	<u>\$355,25</u>

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By cash collected from M. J. Hill, plaintiff in case Hill vs. Willett, City Trustee, as Trustee's costs.....	3,17
	<u>\$352,08</u>

We have examined the foregoing account, and find it correct, and allow it at \$352.08.

February 15th, 1875.

WM. G. SHAW, M. MULQUEEN, M. A. EVARTS,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
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Mayor's Estimates.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN :—The statement herewith, is respectfully submitted, giving assets and liabilities of the City, together with an estimate of the probable expenses for the year ensuing :

Balance in Treasury, Jan, 1, 1875.....	\$1,067 41
Uncollected taxes for 1873	74 86
" " 1874	2,000 00
" Water rents, 1874	1,020 00
Due from Green Mount Cemetery Association....	281 35
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	\$4,443,62

Estimated receipts for year ensuing from following sources :

Licenses	\$600 00
Liquor Agency,	200 ..
Rent from City Hall.....	1,500 ..
" " Market,.....	600 ..
Criminal Department	800 ..
Water rents.....	16,000 ..
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	\$24,143 62

LIABILITIES.

Temporary Loans from the several Departments. (Balance of appropriations due said accounts:)

Fletcher Free Library.....	\$415 73
Parks	1,143 02
School Department	1,417 79
Sewer "	1,415 71
Sinking fund.....	8,631 70
Water Works Construction.....	4,518 ..
Street Department	1,196 41
Street Light "	250 09
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	\$18,988 45

ESTIMATED EXPENSES:

Interest on Water Bonds	\$14,694 ..	
" Improvement Bonds	2,100 ..	
" U. S. Deposit Fund	1,770 66	
Temporary Loans	1,000 ..	
Current expenses Water Department	8,000 ..	
Willard street extension	3,484 ..	
Sinking Fund for redem. Bonded debt	4,000 ..	
Salaries	3,000 ..	
Street Lights	2,500 ..	
Pauper Department	6,500 ..	
Fletcher Free Lib'y (care of and rep's)	2,500 ..	
Criminal Department	3,000 ..	
Fire	3,500 ..	
Printing, adv'g, and miscellaneous..	6,000 ..	
Warrants drawn, (Jan. 1, to Feb. '75.)	2,675 41	
House and lot purchased for Hospital	3,000 ..	\$67,724 07
		<u>\$86,712 52</u>
Less Assets		24,143 62
		<u>\$62,568 90</u>

The Grand List of the city is..... \$38,980 65

In making the estimates, some of the departments are increased over last year, in order to get as near as possible to the probable necessities in each.

Criminal Department increased..... \$1,000 ..

In this department there has been considerable retrenchment the past year, it costing \$4,122 42, against \$4,872 29 the year previous.

Fire Department increased..... 500 ..

For the reason that it will be necessary to make some provision for repairing house for Howard Hose Co., and perhaps for Barnes Hose Co. There has been considerable retrenchment in this department also.

Fletcher Free Library, increased, to cover necessary repairs, 1,000 ..

Pauper Department increased..... 1,000 ..

House and lot purchased for hospital.. 3,000 .. \$6,500 00

It will therefore be necessary to raise for ensuing year:

City tax	165
Highway tax (provided by law)	20
School tax	50 235 cents.

The decrease of the Grand List under the new appraisal of last spring, makes the rate of taxation somewhat higher, as it necessitates a *higher rate* of 30 cents more on the dollar of the present grand list, in order to raise the necessary amount for city purposes.

This, in connection with the \$6,500, (which requires about 17 cents on the dollar of the grand list,) accounts for the apparent high rate of 165 cents on the dollar of *present* grand list. Had the grand list remained without reduction, the amount of *per centage* required would be about the same as of the year past—if anything, a little less.

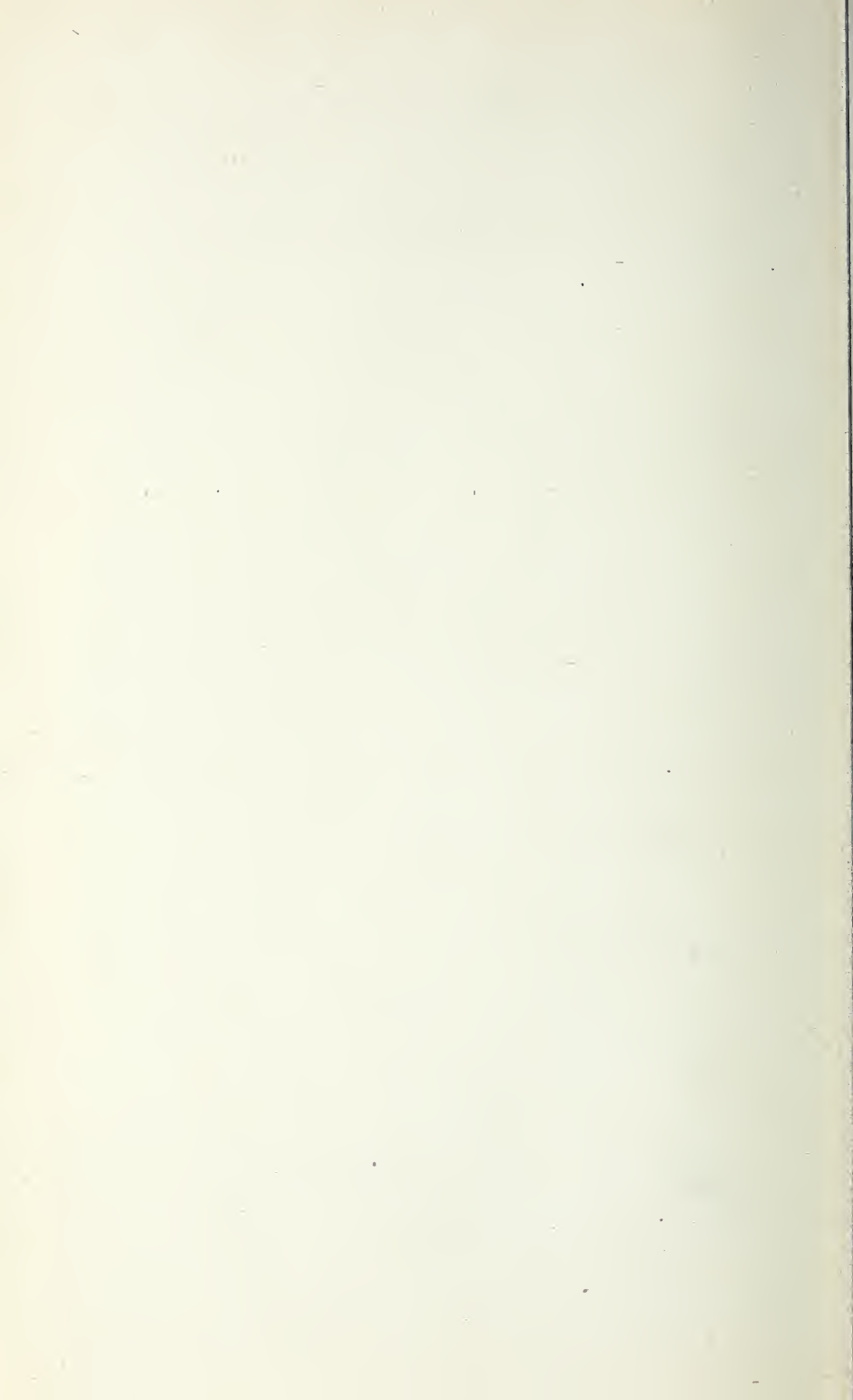
BONDED DEBT OF THE CITY.

Water bonds, last statement.....	\$214,900 ..	
“ authorized March, 1874,	20,000 ..	
“ “ July, “	10,000 ..	
		\$244,900 ..
Improvement bonds, last statement...	\$20,000 ..	
“ “ authorized Mar., '74	5,000 ..	
“ “ “ July, '74.	10,000 ..	35,000 ..
		\$279,900 00
Of the bonded debt, the sinking fund		
has	\$16,850 .	
Also cash not invested.....	8,631 70	\$25,481 70
Net debt,		\$254,418 30

C. H. BLODGETT, *Mayor*.

Burlington, February 5, 1875.







City of Burlington.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The legal voters in City Meeting, of the City of Burlington, are hereby warned to meet on

TUESDAY, THE 2d DAY OF MARCH, 1875,

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, in their respective Wards, at the several Election precincts hereinafter named, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, a City Judge, a County Commissioner: and Aldermen, School Commissioners, and Ward officers for the several Wards, for the ensuing year.

The following are designated as Election precincts, viz:

WARD ONE,

The School House on Colchester Avenue, near H. W. Catlin's residence.

WARD TWO,

The House of Star Hose Co., on North Street, near Winooski Avenue.

WARD THREE,

The House of Barnes Hose Co., on Champlain Street, east side.

WARD FOUR,

The City Court Room, in the City Hall Building.

WARD FIVE,

The Room in the basement of the "Van Ness House," St. Paul Street side.

BURLINGTON, FEB'Y 19th, 1875.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

JANUARY 1st, 1876.

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IN THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, JAN. 10, 1876.

RESOLUTION relating to the publication of the Eleventh Annual
City Report of the City of Burlington.

CITY OF BURLINGTON. }
In the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six. }

By Alderman WING :

Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :

The City Clerk is hereby directed to prepare for publication the Annual Reports of the City Officers, and such other matter as is usually published in the Annual City Reports, for the year ending December 31, 1875 : And, under the direction of the Mayor, to procure printed 1100 copies thereof, for circulation among the tax payers of the City. The Mayor is authorized to award the printing of said Report to such office as will do the same upon the most favorable terms.

Approved January 11, 1876.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

Government and Officers
OF THE
CITY OF BURLINGTON, VT.,
JANUARY 1st, 1876.

MAYOR.

Hon. CALVIN H. BLODGETT,

Term expires first Monday in April, 1876.

Hon. JO D. HATCH,

President of the Board of Aldermen.

CITY JUDGE.

Hon. MILTON R. TYLER,

Term expires first Monday in April, 1876.

CLERK OF CITY COURT,

CHAUNCEY W. BROWNELL, Jr.

Appointed by City Judge.

Board of Aldermen.

Hon. JO D. HATCH, President.

ALDERMEN.

Wards.

1.	JO D. HATCH,	Term expires April, 1877.
	ORVILLE SINCLEAR,	" " " 1876.
2.	W. S. VINCENT,	" " " 1877.
	E. H. TRICK,	" " " 1876.
3.	HEMAN R. WING,	" " " 1876.
	EDWARD O'NEIL,	" " " 1877.
4.	CHARLES W. LIPPITT,	" " " 1877.
	EDWARD WELLS,	" " " 1876.
5.	*B. B. SMALLEY,	" " " 1877.
	E. M. SUTTON,	" " " 1876.

WILLIAM H. ROOT,
Clerk of the Board.

Removed from the Ward, and place to be filled at next election.

Standing Committees

OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN,

For the year ending first Monday of April, 1876.

On Water Department,

WING, WELLS, LIPPITT.

On Fire Department,

SMALLEY, VINCENT, O'NEIL.

On Streets and Highways,

SUTTON, TRICK, SINCLEAR.

On Accounts and Claims.

WELLS, SMALLEY, SUTTON.

On Pauper Department.

O'NEIL, TRICK, SINCLEAR.

On Public Buildings and Parks.

LIPPITT, WING, VINCENT.

General Committee.

SINCLEAR, TRICK, O'NEIL.

On School Affairs.

VINCENT, LIPPITT, SUTTON.

On Library.

WING, WELLS, SUTTON.

On Liquor Agency.

The MAYOR, HATCH, SMALLEY.

OFFICERS

APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

TERMS EXPIRE APRIL 25th, 1876,

Excepting Cemetery Commissioners and Assessors.

CITY TREASURER,.....GREENE D. WELLER.
 COLLECTOR OF TAXES,.....G. D. WELLER.
 CITY ATTORNEY,.....L. L. LAWRENCE.
 CITY CLERK,.....WILLIAM H. ROOT.
 CONSTABLE,.....HIRAM S. WHITE.

CHIEF ENGINEER of the Fire Department,
 HIRAM S. WHITE.

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS,

1st Ass't. EDWARD F. LUCAS, 3rd Ass't. EDGAR E. BEVINS.
 2nd " WM. DENNING, 4th " CHAS. F. SPAULDING.

FIRE WARDENS,

Ward I. JOEL LINSLEY. *Ward III.* JAS. W. MADIGAN.
Ward II. JOEL H. HOLTON. *Ward IV.* RICHARD CUSHING.
Ward V. JAMES E. RUSSELL.

STREET COMMISSIONERS,

ELLIOT M. SUTTON, ORVILLE SINCLEAR, E. H. TRICK.

CHIEF OF POLICE,

LUMAN A. DREW.

Police Headquarters—City Hall Building. Main Street side.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

ABNER B. LOWRY.

AUDITORS.

NATH'L PARKER, MICHAEL MULQUEEN, H. H. DOOLITTLE,

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

DAN LYON,.....Term expires April 25th, 1876.

GEORGE FRANCIS,.....Term expires April 25th, 1877.

JOEL H. HOLTON,.....Term expires April 25th, 1878.

City Engineer and Surveyor.

EDWARD H. PHELPS,.....Term expires April 25th, 1876.

Superintendent City Water Works.

ELMORE JOHNSON,.....Term expires April 25th, 1876.

Office,—South side City Hall Building.

CITY GRAND JUROR.

EDWARD F. BROWNELL.

FENCE VIEWERS.

A. W. ALLEN,

SOLOMON WALKER.

Inspector of Leather,.....E. C. LOOMIS.*Sealer of Weights and Measures*,.....T. V. COSGRIFF.*Pound Keeper and Hayward*,.....HIRAM S. WHITE.

HEALTH OFFICER.

CHAS. P. THAYER, M. D.

ASSESSORS.

ALEX. G. WATSON, F. J. HENDEE, M. MULQUEEN.

Trustee of U. S. Deposit Fund.

C. W. WOODHOUSE,.....At Merchants National Bank.

Trustees Fletcher Free Library.

The MAYOR, *ex officio*.

MATTHEW H. BUCKHAM,

EDWARD J. PHELPS,

LOAMMI G. WARE,

SAMUEL HUNTINGTON.

Librarian.

T. P. W. ROGERS.

Board of School Commissioners.

President—CHARLES J. ALGER, Superintendent.

Clerk—H. O. WHEELER.

WARD ONE.

MATTHEW H. BUCKHAM, Term expires first day of April, 1876.

WARD TWO.

H. O. WHEELER,Term expires first day of April, 1877.

WARD THREE.

H. N. DRURY,Term expires first day of April, 1876.

WARD FOUR.

Rev. L. G. WARE,Term expires first day of April, 1877.

WARD FIVE.

LUTHER L. LAWRENCE, ...Term expires first day of April, 1877.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On School Houses and School Property :

Supt. ALGER, and Com'rs LAWRENCE and WHEELER.

On Text Books and Teachers:

Supt. ALGER, and Com'rs BUCKHAM, WARE and LAWRENCE.

On Finance and Accounts :

Supt. ALGER, and Com'rs BUCKHAM, LAWRENCE and DRURY.

On Rules and Regulations.

Supt. ALGER, and Commissioners WARE and WHEELER.

Regular Meetings, first Friday of each month at 7.30 P. M.,
at the Office of the Superintendent, in Fletcher Library Building.

WARD ORGANIZATIONS.

Ward one.

Clerk, GEO. T. SMITH.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

F. J. BENDEE, GEO. N. OLMSTEAD, MATTHEW CONNORS.

Ward two.

Clerk, W. S. FARMER.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

W. H. TOWNSEND, THERON A. MILES, LOREN B. LORD.

Ward three.

Clerk, WM. H. LEE.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

MICHAEL McMAHON, MICHAEL McKENZIE. JOHN W. KELLY.

Ward four.

Clerk, WM. E. WELLER.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

FRED JOHONNOTT, H. L. LOOMIS.

Ward five.

Clerk, GEO. W. BECKWITH,

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

H. C. JOHNSON, EDWARD L. WILLARD, M. A. EVARTS.

City Election, annually, on the first Tuesday in March.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE,

Delivered April 5th, 1875.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN :—The commencement of another municipal year brings us together, by the favor of our fellow citizens. We are assembled for the purpose of organizing a new city government, in accordance with the requirements of the city charter, and, having taken the oath of office prescribed by law, we have pledged ourselves to discharge our duties to the best of our judgment and ability.

FINANCES.

The following is an exhibit of the city debt, exclusive of the railroad bonds :

First issue of water bonds, authorized March 19, 1866, of \$150,000, twenty years—unpaid	\$148,400,00
Second issue of \$25,000, authorized July 12, 1869, twenty years—unpaid	16,500,00
Third issue of \$25,000, authorized Dec. 7, 1870, twenty years—unpaid	25,000,00
Fourth issue of \$25,000, authorized June. 5, 1871, twenty years—unpaid	25,000,00
Fifth issue of \$20,000, authorized March 13, 1874, twenty years—unpaid	20,000,00
Sixth issue of \$10,000, authorized July 23, 1874, twenty years—unpaid	10,000,00
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	244,900.00
Improvement bonds of \$20,000, authorised May 19, 1873, twenty years, unpaid.	\$20,000
Also \$5,000, authorized March 13, 1874, twenty years, unpaid,	5,000
Also \$10,000, authorized July 23, 1874, twenty years, unpaid,	10,000
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	35,000 00
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	279,900 00
Of the bonded debt the sinking fund holds	25,481 70

It will be observed that most of the above indebtedness is for construction of water works. In this department the total receipts for water rates the past year have been \$17,314 17; cost of pumping \$6,475 63; current expenses \$2,191 89, thus contributing after paying expenses \$8,646 59 towards paying interest on bonded debt. The city authorized, on the 23d day of July last, a further bonding to the amount of \$160,000 in aid of the Burlington and Lamoille Railroad, provided certain conditions were complied with, which has been done, and the bonds are issued, all dated April 1st, 1875, and payable after five years and within twenty years at the option of the city, with interest semi-annually at six per cent. This I have from the first regarded as a move that will conduce to the immediate prosperity of Burlington, as well as enhance the value of the whole Lamoille valley.

I anticipated one year ago, when I entered upon my official duties, that there would be a deficiency of about \$9,691 00. as will be seen by referring to my message in the tenth City Report, page 31, from the fact that my predecessor, in making up the estimates for the year 1874, made them about this amount less than had been required for city purposes the preceding year, of 1873. I did not know at that time, that he had also omitted one item of \$9,926 00, in giving the liabilities of the city. This amount that was omitted, was due the sinking fund, and in *honor* the city was bound to make it up, it being moneys belonging to that fund, which had been drawn upon during the year 1873, to pay expenses in other departments. This sum added to the expected deficiency of \$9,691 00, makes a total deficiency of \$19,617 00; add to this the amount that was estimated for, of \$50,093 09, (see 9th city report, page 154,) it gives a total of \$69,710 00, as the amount required for the year 1874 that should have been estimated for by my predecessor, in order to have paid liabilities and expenses for that year, and would have required a tax (on a grand list of \$46,000) of 152 cents on the dollar, instead of 110 cents that was levied. This large amount of \$19,710 00. passed over from the previous administration to the present

one, to be provided for in addition to its own legitimate expenses, placed it in an embarrassed and unfavorable condition, and necessitated levying a heavy city tax for the year 1875, on the present reduced grand list.

I have been thus minute in order that all the facts might be plainly set forth, and hope in so doing, that a like error in the future may be avoided. Each administration should bear its own burdens, and not allow them to be transmitted to those who are not accountable for such indebtedness. Permit me to say in this connection, in regard to the sinking fund, that the practice of drawing upon this fund for what ready money it may chance to have uninvested, to supply temporarily other departments, it seems to me is a most dangerous one, as there is no one except the Mayor and treasurer that would be likely to know its true condition, and, with the constant changes in the management of our city affairs, this fund should be kept intact at all times, and not be drawn upon under any circumstances, particularly without the consent of the Board. It is customary to draw temporarily from any fund of the several departments, but the other departments have their respective committees whose duty it is to look after the amount that belongs to their departments, in order to know what its resources may be and to enable them to keep within the appropriation.

It will be noticed that the present administration drew upon the sinking fund, to the amount of \$8,631 70, but it will be seen by referring to the tenth City Report, page 171, that it is charged in, with the other liabilities against the city, and is provided for in the present city tax. The expenditures have been large, the past few years, but the necessities have been numerous, requiring public improvements, and I believe it is generally conceded that they have been judicious as a whole. In view of our bonded debt as it stands to-day, however, we should guard against calling for further appropriations by bonding, or otherwise, when present outlay can be avoided without proving in the future to have been injudi-

cious economy. Of this it will be for you to judge. Our city has shared to some extent in the general depression of trade and stagnation of business enterprises, which have pervaded the entire country. The duty that presses most urgently upon us, is the strictest economy in the management of our municipal affairs.

STREETS, PARKS AND SIDEWALKS.

Each year is developing some improvements of a permanent character in our streets. We cannot expect any very great amount of permanent work to be done, with only the highway tax to expend; but if the present system of applying all the funds that can be spared, on given points, is adhered to, we may reasonably expect some work of a permanent nature accomplished yearly. A short piece of macadamized roadway, fourteen feet wide, and two hundred and ninety-two feet long, was constructed last year on Pearl street, immediately east of Union street. There has also been considerable grading and curbing done. One piece of macadamized road was constructed on Prospect st., and another on Pearl st., at the expense of private individuals. There is no doubt that many citizens will now avail themselves of the opportunity afforded in the amended city charter, which gives property owners the privilege of securing street improvements against their own premises. This amendment was added to enable the people to make such improvements as they may desire, as it was thought that they would not deem it advisable to call for further bonding in aid of this work. The policy adopted by many cities of assessing the cost of all permanent improvements on streets and sidewalks upon the abutting estates, is probably the true policy and the only way that our street work can be carried on to completion. With a system of this kind thoroughly established, so that property owners could fully understand that where they pay for such improvements against their own premises, they are not to be called upon to contribute for improvements in other parts of the city, I believe the street work could not fail to go rapidly forward. The sidewalks received

more than usual attention, the past year, and there is still a great work to be done. The Battery Park was materially improved last season. There was also some work done on the College Park. The work on the City Park was delayed, in a measure, as it was not fully known how much of the park belonged to the city. There is a suit now pending to determine this point, and it is for the interest of all parties that this question should be permanently settled. As there is only a small portion of the northeast corner involved in this litigation, the work on the other portion of the park should be finished with as little delay as possible. I beg to again call your attention to the necessity of providing a suitable barn and shed for the horses and tools belonging to the city. This is an absolute necessity, and should have proper attention, as there is constantly a great depreciation in the value of the tools for want of being properly housed. The horses are necessarily scattered about the city, which occasions much loss of time.

SEWERS.

This is a subject of great importance to the health of the city. In July last there was a special appropriation of ten thousand dollars for the construction of sewers. Of this appropriation eight thousand seven hundred and ninety-three dollars was expended on the main sewer. One hundred and thirty-six feet was constructed immediately south of Main street, in the ravine, to a point where it became necessary to abandon the work, as permission could not be obtained to cross the land owned by a private individual. The work was commenced at the lake and completed six hundred and forty feet to the west line of Champlain street, where it connects with the old sewer. The street commissioners are now empowered, under the amended city charter, to construct and maintain public sewers in and through lands of individuals and corporations, on making compensation therefor, in the same manner as is prescribed by law in the laying out and establishing of highways. Therefore the obstacle existing

heretofore is removed, and it seems highly important that the sewer connection through the ravine should be constructed the present year. The great want of sewers in many portions of the city is a well known fact, and I do not need to enumerate the streets or localities. The main sewer should be completed first, rather than to make the ravine more obnoxious by making it the receptacle of additional sewerage.

SCHOOLS.

Our school board are carrying forward their work with a fair degree of success. No single interest contributes more directly to the prosperity of a city than a system of graded schools, well sustained and carried into practice successfully. It is highly important to the citizens, in order to secure the efficiency desired in the management of our schools, that the school commissioners should be selected with special regard to their fitness for the place.

POLICE.

This department has been managed with commendable care, the past year, in the way of retrenchment in their expenses, when compared with the previous year. The chief of police has done his duty in this, as well as in trying to obtain more perfect police regulations. He procured a copy of those used in other cities, and it was laid before the Board last year, upon which no action was taken further than its being referred to a committee. If a code of by-laws could be framed and adopted, pointing out definitely the policeman's duties, it would add greatly to the efficiency of this department. I would recommend that this subject be referred to a special committee, to take such action as they may deem necessary.

WATER WORKS.

With the two independent lines of pipe from the lake to the reservoir completed, we may feel a degree of confidence in an ample supply of water now, that has not existed heretofore. There is some doubt whether the pier extending into the lake is of sufficient length from the shore to ensure the purity

of the water at all times. The greater distance out from the shore that the water can be taken, the more certainty there is of its purity; but should the present pier be extended into the lake a greater distance, would it be likely to remedy the difficulty wholly, as it forms a continuous shore of itself, around which, with the shift of the wind, everything must drift, unless there should be a channel cut across it, giving a free passage to the drifting substances that naturally follow the shore? I believe if a passage was cut across the present pier, it would obviate the existing difficulty in a measure, perhaps wholly. The experiment could be tried with a trifling expense.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

We have as finely an organized body of firemen as can be found in this section of the country, thoroughly efficient in every respect, and one in which every citizen has a just pride. The Chief Engineer reports the department to be mostly in good condition. The old hook and ladder truck he represents as the only one that can be depended upon for service. If the new ladders are unfit for use, they should be replaced by those that can be used with perfect safety, and such amount of new hose should be purchased as the department may require for its efficient working. Our city has been highly favored in regard to fires, but there should be no relaxation in keeping the fire companies thoroughly equipped. Much credit is due this department for their economy the past year.

FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

This library will soon be opened to the public, and it cannot fail to be highly appreciated when the citizens become acquainted with the choice and varied selection of books it contains. The trustees have had a work of great care and responsibility, in selecting the books, and I am sure their selection will prove most satisfactory. It is not only credita-

ble to them, but to the donors through whose liberality this institution has been established. This library at present contains seven thousand two hundred volumes, and the work of cataloguing and the classification of the same has consumed much time which was unavoidable, as will be seen by referring to the report of its secretary.

CITY MARKET.

This property has been disposed of by lease for a term of years. It will be remembered that the city, in order to comply with the requirements of the lease, must bring the street to its established grade between College and Main streets, also furnish additional street lamps—one to be set at the corner of College street and Winooski Avenue, one midway between College and Main streets, and one at the corner of Main street and Winooski Avenue, on or before the 30th day of June next.

THE POOR AND THE CITY FARM.

The expenses in this department have been larger than ever before. The past year has been one of unusual hardship among the poor. The general stagnation of business, with the severity of the winter, has compelled a large number to seek assistance that would not otherwise have required help from the city. This, in connection with the prevalence of small-pox, which has been a great expense, obliged the overseer of the poor to overdraw his account.

Had the city been provided with a suitable pest house, comfortable in all its appointments where patients would have felt willing to go, this disease might possibly have been arrested, and the result been different, both in the number of deaths and the expense to the city. From the fact of there being so much prejudice, with the masses of the people, against the old pest house, they resorted to every stratagem to avoid being taken there, thereby exposing more or less people daily. It was impossible to stay the disease with the existence of this

feeling. The city should provide a suitable hospital previous to another fall, where patients could receive every needful care, and be made comfortable in all respects. There are several reasons why it should be located near the poor house—the convenience of supplies, the saving of an extra man and team, and being directly under the supervision of the overseer. It is frequently urged that the poor house should be located within the city limits, and that the poor farm should be sold, as the receipts from the farm are not sufficient to overbalance the inconvenience and expense attending it, at so great a distance from the city. There is an utter lack of water and sewer conveniences, which, with so many aged people, is a want felt in a high degree. This is a measure, however, that should be thoroughly considered before any definite action is taken. I have made this suggestion in regard to selling the poor farm, as I believe some of the points urged have merit.

I would recommend that the property recently purchased on North Avenue for a pest house, be offered for sale at once.

CONCLUSION.

Your labors, gentlemen, are increasing each succeeding year commensurate with the growth of our city. New and varied interests will constantly arise, requiring your careful attention. It will be my endeavor to co-operate with you in all measures which will tend to promote its general welfare, and I shall hope to receive from you the generous support accorded to me the past year. I trust we may so perform our duties as to justify the confidence reposed in us by our constituents.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

Burlington, April 5, 1875.

CITY ORDINANCES.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO FINES AND COSTS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington as follows :

SEC. 1. In all cases of prosecution for the violation of any city ordinance, where a fine is imposed, the sentence shall be to pay such fine as may be imposed and costs of prosecution; and the offender shall be ordered to be committed to the common jail of Chittenden county until the sentence shall be complied with.

Approved April 3d, 1865.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO CITY SCALES.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Such scales as the Mayor may from time to time contract for in writing, being for the use of and under the control of the city authorities, for periods not exceeding one year, are hereby declared to be the city scales, and competent persons shall be annually appointed by the Mayor to have the care and use of such scales.

SEC. 2. Whenever a person, having purchased a load of hay, coal or other bulky merchandise, requests the driver of the team employed to transport said hay, coal or other merchandise, to convey the same to the city scales and procure a certificate from one of the public weighers in charge thereof, the driver shall comply with such request, under a penalty of five dollars for refusal, and the weigher shall receive ten cents for each load so weighed, to be paid by the seller.

Approved April 12th, 1865.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO WARNINGS FOR ELECTIONS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. All warnings for meetings referred to in the 17th section of the charter of this city, shall be published in each of the daily newspapers of the city, three times successively, the last of which publications shall be not more than ten, nor less than six days prior to the meeting so called.

Approved April 12th, 1865.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO POUNDS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1, There shall be established by the Board of Aldermen one pound, within the city, for the impounding of all beasts liable to be impounded.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Board of Aldermen, to appoint such pound-keeper or keepers, as may be required to take care of and keep such pound as may be established, whose compensation shall be the same as provided by the laws of this state for pound-keepers in towns.

SEC. 3. The Board of Aldermen shall annually appoint one or more persons to act as haywards, whose duty it shall be to take up and deliver to the keeper of any pound in this city, any sheep, goat, swine, horse, cow, or other neat cattle found running at large in any street, lane or common within this city.

SEC. 4. Such notice of the impounding of any beast shall be given, as now provided by the general laws of this state.

Approved, April 12th, 1865.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY :

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. All persons having accounts or claims against the city, shall present the same to the city clerk, approved by the person authorizing the same, and the city clerk shall carefully examine

such accounts and claims, and see that they are correctly cast, and present the same, folded and filed, to the board of aldermen.

SEC. 2. The board of aldermen may approve a warrant for the payment of any account or claim against the city, without a reference of such account or claim to a committee; but upon the request of any alderman, the same shall be referred to one of the standing committees of the board, who shall report thereon as soon as practicable.

SEC. 3. No money shall be drawn out of the city treasury except upon the written warrant of the mayor, approved by the board of aldermen, with a certificate of such approval signed by the clerk of the board of aldermen endorsed thereon.

SEC. 4. Every city officer who shall, in his official capacity, receive any money on behalf of the city, shall pay to the treasurer the amount in his hands on the last day of each month, or whenever the amount in his hands exceeds two hundred dollars, and oftener if required by the mayor. All other persons, who shall at any time have money in their hands belonging to the city, shall forthwith pay the same to the treasurer.

SEC. 5. The city auditors shall, at the close of each financial year and at any other time when required by the city council, and also at the expiration of the term of office of any of the officers hereinafter named, when such officer shall not be re-elected, examine and audit the accounts of the city treasurer, overseer of the poor, street commissioners, and city attorney. and make report thereof to the city council; and the financial year shall henceforth begin and end on the first day of January in each year.

SEC. 6. The mayor shall annually, in the month of February, prepare and lay before the board of aldermen an estimate of the amount of money necessary to be raised for the ensuing financial year, and the ways and means for raising the same, and a statement in detail of all the expenditures of the preceding financial year.

SEC. 7. An ordinance entitled "An ordinance establishing a system of accountability in the expenditures of the city," approved June 3, 1865, is hereby repealed.

Approved March 25th, 1867.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO STREETS AND HIGHWAYS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. No person shall enclose any part of the highway, or of any street, or erect any fence, building or other encroachment, or make any obstructions, or put any nuisance on any highway or street, or continue any such enclosure, fence, building, encroachment or nuisance on any highway or street.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall offend against any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall forfeit and pay for each and every offence, a sum not less than five nor more than fifty dollars.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the street commissioners to see that the provisions of this ordinance are enforced.

Approved, June 5th, 1867.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO PROSTITUTION.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Every common prostitute, or female person, who shall ply the vocation of a prostitute in this city, and every male person who shall therein associate and consort with such prostitute for the purpose of personal prostitution, shall be punished by imprisonment in the common jail of Chittenden county for not more than sixty days, or be fined not exceeding fifty dollars, or both said punishments, in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 2. "An ordinance in relation to common prostitutes," approved April 3d, 1865, is hereby repealed.

Approved August 16th, 1869.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. No person shall set up or carry on the business of butchering, in any building in the city, without a license therefor from the city council.

SEC. 2. Every license granted under section one of this ordinance, shall describe the building in which such business is to be carried on, and the street upon which the building is located, and shall be signed by the Mayor, and run to the end of the year in which the same is granted, and no longer ; and the city council may revoke the same, when, in their judgment, the public good requires it.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall violate the provisions of this ordinance, or any of them, shall forfeit and pay for each offence a sum not less than five dollars, nor exceeding fifty dollars.

Approved August 17th, 1869.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO SEWERS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Owners of land abutting on streets in which a common sewer is constructed by the city, may be permitted to enter drains from their lots into such sewer, upon permission thereto obtained from the city council.

SEC. 2. All and every person desiring to connect a private drain with any public sewer, shall make written request to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and leave the same with the City Clerk. And such application shall express, first, the street in which the sewer is, that he desires to use or connect with ; second, the material of which his said drain is built ; third, the time within which he, or they, shall desire to use any portion of the street in making such connection. And if it shall appear to the city council that his application should be granted, permission to connect with any public sewer may be granted, the work to be done in all cases under the supervision and general direction of the Street Commissioners.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall suffer the drainage from any adjoining lot to pass through his drain into any public sewer, without consent therefor, first procured from the city council, shall forfeit and pay for such offence the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered in an action brought by the city to recover, through the city attorney.

SEC. 4. Whenever any person desires to connect a private drain with any public sewer, and shall have procured license so to do from the city council, he or they shall pay for such privilege, such sum as in the judgment of the street commissioners the property interested in such drainage shall be benefited thereby; *Provided* that such rule shall not apply to property which has already paid its proportionate assessment for the construction of such public sewer; and also, *Provided* that additional buildings have not been erected upon such property, which shall or may increase the sewerage requirements of such property since the assessment for the construction of said sewer was first made.

SEC. 5. The city council shall have power in all cases where there is a common sewer in any street, highway, passage-way or alley, to cause every owner of land adjoining such street, highway, passage-way or alley, his agent or tenant, to make a sufficient drain from his house, yard or lot, whenever in their opinion, or in the opinion and upon the request of the health officer of the city, the same shall be necessary, and shall thereupon cause notice to be given to such owner or occupant, in writing, specifying the time within which such drain shall be completed, and in case of any neglect to comply with such order of the city council, in all respects, and to the satisfaction of the street commissioners, the city council may cause the same to be done at the expense of the said owner of such lot, or land, or building, said expense, together with a reasonable sum for the supervision of the work by the street commissioners, to be recovered by an action on the case, to be brought in the name of the city, before the city court.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the city clerk, whenever any public sewer, or any addition or extension of such, shall have been authorized to be constructed by the city council, and when the same shall have been completed, to make record of the plan thereof, and of the assessment made by the street commissioners, in the record books of the city, together with such facts relative to the material used, depth, size and cost, as shall present a clear and comprehensive exhibit of the whole matter.

SEC. 7. Any person who shall enter any drain or water pipe, or connect any such, with any public sewer of the city, without first

obtaining license therefor from the city council, or who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall forfeit and pay as a fine, not less than one dollar, nor more than ten dollars, and a like penalty for each and every day he shall suffer his said drain or water pipe to remain connected with such sewer, after notice has been received from the city clerk to disconnect the same. The said penalty to be recovered in the same manner as provided in section five of this ordinance.

SEC. 8. Whenever any report of assessment for the construction of any public sewer is made and filed with the clerk, by the street commissioners, against the owners of property abutting thereon, it shall be the duty of the clerk to give notice immediately to such person, or persons, of the amount of the said assessment, and of the time when the Board of Aldermen will meet to adopt their said report, that said person, or persons, may have opportunity to appear and show cause, if any exist, why such assessments shall not stand.

Approved January 30th, 1872.

Note: Section eight of above ordinance was repealed August 15th, 1872.

AN ORDINANCE SPECIFYING SPECIAL DUTIES OF THE CITY CONSTABLE.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

That it shall be the duty of the constable appointed by the city council, to pass through all streets, lanes, alleys and courts, in the thickly settled parts of said city, as often as once in each week, to observe nuisances, obstructions and impediments, to the end that the same may be removed or prosecuted according to law ; to notice all offences against laws and ordinances in being, pertaining to said city, taking the names of all offenders, for the the purpose of prosecuting them ; to hear all complaints of the citizens against any breach of the laws and ordinances of said city ; to obey and execute all commands of the Mayor and Aldermen in relation to any matter or thing concerning the city ; and further, to perform all such other and additional duties, and to comply with all such regulations, as

may at any time be prescribed to him by the Mayor and Aldermen.
Approved January 27th, 1873.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE EXAMINATION OF THE
PUBLIC RECORDS AND PAPERS OF THE CITY.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SEC. 1. The records and papers kept or deposited in the city clerk's office, are hereby placed under the exclusive care and control of the city clerk, and he is hereby declared to be responsible for the safe keeping and custody thereof.

SEC. 2. No book or volume of the public records, or any paper duly filed, shall be taken from the office of the city clerk, nor shall it be lawful for any person to enter the record vault of the city for the purpose of taking therefrom any book, volume or paper without permission of the city clerk, whose duty it shall be to furnish, upon all proper occasions, such public records or papers, whenever requested to do so, to the person who shall apply therefor, and to place said public records or papers in a convenient place in his office for examination in his presence.

SEC. 3. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a penalty of not less than five dollars, nor more than fifty dollars.

Approved January 17th, 1873.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO STREET GRADES AND
THE RECORD OF STREET SURVEYS.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SEC. 1 The books wherein are recorded the Surveys of the Streets within the limits of the City of Burlington, and the books containing the maps, or profiles of street grades, are hereby adopted and accepted as the public books of record for that purpose.

SEC. 2. The grade of such street, or streets, in this City, as may have been, or shall hereafter be, established by resolution adopted by the City Council, shall not be altered in any manner,

until after public notice of such intended alteration shall have been given in the newspapers of the city, at least three weeks previous to any action had thereon.

Approved June 3d, 1873.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO SIDEWALKS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Whenever the City Council shall order any street, or portion thereof, to be curbed and guttered, the Street Superintendent shall execute said order under the general direction of the Street Commissioners.

SEC. 2. The curb stone shall be not less than two feet long, eighteen inches wide and three inches thick, but may be of larger dimensions whenever it may be so ordered by the Street Commissioners.

The curb stone shall be set on such grade as shall be adopted by the City Council.

SEC. 3. Whenever any street, or portion thereof, shall have been curbed and guttered, the sidewalks on such streets, or portions thereof, shall thereafter be constructed and maintained at the charge of the property fronting thereon.

SEC. 4. Said sidewalks shall be ten feet wide and shall be constructed of stone flagging, provided that the width may be altered and other materials used wherever specially so ordered by the Street Commissioners.

SEC. 5. Whenever any street, or portion thereof, shall have been curbed and guttered as above, the Street Commissioners shall notify each owner of land fronting thereon, in writing, to construct a sidewalk in front of his said premises, and shall specify in said notice fully and in detail the exact dimensions and character of such sidewalk, and shall furnish the Superintendent of Streets with a copy of such order, and the person so notified shall thereupon proceed to construct a sidewalk in front of his premises agreeably to said order.

SEC. 6. Whenever any sidewalk shall require repairs or renewal, the Street Commissioners shall notify, in writing, each owner

of land fronting thereon, to repair and renew the sidewalk in front of his said premises, and shall specify in said notice fully and in detail the character of the work to be done, and furnish the Superintendent of Streets with a copy of such order, and the person so notified shall thereupon proceed to repair and renew the sidewalk in front of his premises agreeably to said order.

SEC. 7. If any person shall neglect or refuse to obey the order of the Street Commissioners, requiring him to construct, repair or renew the sidewalk in front of his premises as provided in this ordinance, for the space of thirty days after he is duly notified thereof as aforesaid, he shall be punished by a fine of one dollar for each and every day he shall thereafterwards neglect or refuse to obey such order.

SEC. 8. If any person shall neglect or refuse to obey the order of the Street Commissioners, requiring him to construct, repair or renew the sidewalk in front of his premises for the space of forty days after due notice thereof as aforesaid, the Street Commissioners may, in their discretion, construct, repair or renew the same at the expense and cost of such person—but such person shall not be liable to the penalty provided in section 7 of this ordinance, after the Street Commissioners shall commence the construction, repair or renewal of the sidewalk in front of his premises,

Approved July 14, 1873.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO POLICE OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTY.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. Every City Police Officer shall, before receiving final process from any Court of this City, give bonds to the City, in a sum of not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than five hundred dollars, to the satisfaction of the Board of Aldermen, for the faithful discharge of his duties.

SEC. 2. The City Clerk shall from time to time, as such bonds are filed with him, give notice to the City Court and the Trial Justices of this City, of such Police Officers as have filed such bonds.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of every Police Officer of this City, to whom final process shall have been issued, on the first Monday of each month, to pay over to the City Treasurer all monies collected on mittimuses issued to him.

SEC. 4. Every Police Officer shall, commencing with the first Monday in January, A. D. 1874, through the Chief of Police, make report to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, of all mittimuses received by him in favor of this City, with his doings upon each, whether returned to the Court issuing the same, or outstanding: And if outstanding, the circumstances and situation of each such case.

Approved Oct. 21, 1873.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO DEBTS AND CLAIMS INCURRED AGAINST THE CITY, BY UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. No contract shall be made whereby the City of Burlington shall be holden or bound for the payment of any sum of money, nor shall any debt be incurred against the City of Burlington by any person or persons acting, or pretending to act for said city, in any capacity whatever, which shall be valid or binding against said City, except the same shall have been previously authorized by the City Council.

SEC. 2. No City Officer shall have any authority or power to bind the City for the payment of any sum of money for any purpose or to make any contract whereby the City may become bound for the payment of any sum of money, except said officer shall have been previously authorized to such action by the City Council. *Provided*, however, that nothing in this ordinance shall prevent the expenditure of moneys in the administration of their respective departments, by any of said officers, in the ordinary manner, which have previously been appropriated to such use by the City Council.

SEC. 3. An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to contracts by certain City officers," approved March 16, 1868, is hereby repealed.

Approved Dec. 9, 1873.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO BILLIARD SALOONS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. No person shall open or keep any Billiard Saloon, Billiard Room, or place wherein the game of Billiards is played, or set up, keep or maintain, any billiard table in this City for public use, until he shall have first obtained a license therefor, from the Board of Aldermen, signed by the Mayor.

SEC. 2. There shall be paid to the City Treasurer, before such license shall be delivered, or take effect, a license fee of five dollars for each and every billiard table so set up, kept or maintained as aforesaid, and embraced in or covered by such license.

SEC. 3. All licenses shall expire at the end of the year in which the same are granted, and shall not be assigned or transferred without the approval of the Board of Aldermen. And no license granted under the provisions of this Ordinance shall authorize the licensee to keep a saloon or victualling house in any billiard saloon or room.

SEC. 4. No person keeping any billiard saloon, or billiard room, for public use, or having the care or control thereof, shall allow, or permit, any minor to be admitted thereto, or to play at billiards in such billiard saloon or billiard room, without the permission of his parents, master or guardian.

SEC. 5. No person keeping any billiard saloon or billiard room, or having the care or control thereof, shall allow, suffer or permit the same to be kept open, or used, between the hours of eleven o'clock in the evening and six o'clock in the morning of each day.

SEC. 6. If any person keeping any billiard saloon or room, or having the care or control thereof, shall allow, suffer or permit any gaming, or gambling therein, the license granted for such saloon or room shall be forfeited, and shall thenceforth be null and void.

SEC. 7. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance, shall forfeit and pay, for each and every offence, a sum not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

Approved December 22d, 1874.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE IMPROVEMENT OF
STREETS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Whenever any street, lane or alley, or portion thereof, shall hereafter be graded, paved, or macadamized, curbed and guttered, on the petition of the owner, or owners, of a majority of the frontage of the same, and the costs or expenses thereof assessed upon the frontage under the provisions of Section (9) nine of the City Charter, no subsequent assessment shall be made by the Street Commissioners under the provisions of said section for any subsequent improvement of such streets, lane or alley, or portion thereof, described in such petition.

Approved May 11, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE USE OF THE CITY HALL
PARK BY THE PUBLIC.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. So much of that certain piece, parcel, or plot of ground as is situated between Main and College streets, and St. Paul Street and the West fronts of the City Hall Building and Fletcher Library Building and West of the curbing set eleven feet west of Strong's Building, so called—and all the land contained within the aforesaid limits, shall hereafter be known as the City Hall Park, and be used and enjoyed by the public as such, under the regulations hereinafter made.

SEC. 2. No person shall drive with any carriage, wagon cart, sleigh or other vehicle having a horse (or horses) attached thereto, upon any part of the City Hall Park.

SEC. 3. No person shall drive, lead or ride any horse or other animal upon any part of the City Hall Park ; Nor shall any person walk upon the turf, or stand, sit or be thereon, but all passing and repassing therein must be in or through the walks laid out in said Park.

SEC. 4. No person shall put, place, or cause to be put or placed on any part of the City Hall Park, any stone, lumber, house dirt, garbage, ashes or thing whatsoever, or use any part of said Park for any private occupation or business whatever.

SEC. 5. No person shall cut, injure, deface or destroy any fountain, music stand, bench, seat, shade tree, plant or shrub in the City Hall Park.

SEC. 6. Any person offending against any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit and pay to the use of the City [a sum not less than five (5) dollars, nor more than fifty (50) dollars, with all costs of prosecution.

SEC. 7. The committee of the board of Aldermen on public buildings and parks, are charged with the care of the parks of the city, and it is hereby made their duty to cause the observance of the provisions of this ordinance.

Approved June 10, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO BATTERY PARK AND THE USE THEREOF BY THE PUBLIC.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. The lot of land enclosed and lying north of Pearl Street west of Battery Street and south of Smith's Lane and Battery Place so called—shall hereafter be known as and called Battery Park, and be used and enjoyed by the Public under the Regulations hereinafter made.

SEC. 2. No person shall drive with any carriage, wagon or other vehicle in any other than the drives and ways laid out in said Park for such purpose.

SEC. 3. No person shall walk, stand, sit or be upon the turf in said Park, but shall pass and repass, on or through the walks and ways laid out in said Park.

SEC. 4. No person shall deface, cut, injure or destroy any fountain, music stand, seat, bench, shade tree, shrub or plant in the Battery Park.

SEC. 5. No person shall put or place or cause to be put or placed on any part of the Battery Park, or adjacent thereto any garbage, house dirt, ashes, stone, or thing whatever, unless by direction of the committee on public buildings and parks.

SEC. 6. Any person offending against any of the provisions of this ordinance shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

SEC. 7. The Battery Park is hereby placed under the care and custody of the committee on public buildings and parks.

Approved June 10, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO PUBLIC CARTERS, EXPRESSMEN, AND THE OWNERS AND DRIVERS OF TRUCKS, FREIGHT WAGONS, AND TEAMS OF ALL KINDS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. It shall not be lawful for any freight wagon, express wagon or truck, to stand upon, or across, any street crossing or sidewalk in the city, for any purpose.

SEC. 2. No public carter, express wagon driver, or driver of any freight truck, shall occupy any part of any highway or street in this city as a stand for business, except in such street or part thereof, as shall from time to time be designated as such stand, by a resolution of the Board of Aldermen, approved by the Mayor.

SEC. 3. No team, truck, freight or other wagon, shall be allowed to stand crosswise of any street, or in any manner obstruct the travel on any street, for the purpose of loading or unloading, for a longer time than is necessary for such purpose.

SEC. 4. All public carters, express drivers, and truck men, shall be registered in the office of the Clerk of the City, and shall have the number of their vehicle as obtained from the City Clerk, plainly attached to some part of the harness or

vehicle, so owned or driven by them; and for such registry, which shall be made annually in the month of January, they shall severally pay to the Clerk the sum of fifty cents.

SEC. 5. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall pay a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars, for each offense. And it is hereby made the duty of the City Constable, and of all police officers to see that the provisions of this ordinance are in all cases, strictly enforced.

Approved August 3d, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO VEHICLES LADEN WITH WOOD, HAY OR OTHER BULKY MATERIALS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. No person shall leave any vehicle laden with wood, hay, lumber, timber, straw, coal or other bulky material, standing in any public highway, or common, for the purpose of offering the contents of such vehicle for sale.

SEC. 2. The City Market lot shall be hereafter used and occupied by such vehicles as are named in section one, for the purpose therein specified, until otherwise ordered by the City Council, and the same shall be under the supervision and direction of the police officers of the city, as instructed by the Mayor.

SEC. 3. If any person shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, he shall forfeit and pay for each offense a fine not exceeding twenty dollars.

Approved Dec. 7th, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO SALOONS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. No person shall keep a saloon or vitualling house, until he shall have first obtained a license therefor from the Board of Aldermen, signed by the Mayor, and recorded in the City Clerk's office; and shall have paid to the City Treasurer for said license, at the rate of twenty-five dollars per annum.

SEC. 2. All licenses shall specify the time for which the same are granted, and shall in no case have force longer than to the end of the year in which the same are granted.

SEC. 3. Every saloon shall be closed at eleven o'clock in the evening of each day and remain closed until daylight of the next day.

SEC. 4. The Board of Aldermen may at any time revoke any license granted to any person to keep a saloon or victualling house, and may, in their discretion order an equitable proportion of the money paid for such license to be refunded to the person interested therein.

SEC. 5. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall forfeit and pay to said city, a fine not exceeding fifty dollars.

Approved Dec. 7th, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE POSTING OF SHOW
BILLS, AND HAND BILLS, THEREBY DEFACING BUILDINGS
AND FENCES.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SEC. 1. No person shall, within the limits of the city, post any show bills, advertisements, or paper, or paint any sign, advertisement or notice, on any building, fence or post, without the consent of the proprietors thereof.

SEC. 2. No person shall deface, by marking with paint or other material, or in any other way injure or deface any building, fence or post, within the city limits.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall violate this ordinance, shall pay for each offence, a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, nor less than one dollar.

Approved Dec. 7th, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SEC. 1. There shall be appointed annually, by the City Council, a sealer of weights and measures, whose duty it shall be to in-

spect, prove, correct and seal, any wet or dry measures, balances, scales, steelyards, weights, or any instrument, machine or article used for weighing or measuring, whenever required so to do by any person, or by said City Council, according to the standards of the City of Burlington.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall, within the limits of said City, use any weight or measure to ascertain the length, weight or quantity of any article by him or her sold, which weight or measure has not been sealed by said sealer of weights and measures, or who shall knowingly and with intent to defraud, sell any article as, or for, any greater weight, measure or quantity than such article does in fact weigh or measure, according to the standard of the City of Burlington, shall pay a fine not exceeding twenty dollars.

SEC. 3. That the fees for said inspecting, proving, correcting and sealing, shall be five cents for each article, and, in addition thereto, the sum of twenty-five cents for each hour, and at that rate for the time necessarily spent by said sealer in said duties at his store or office, to be paid by the owners of the same; and for all other time in which he shall be necessarily engaged in the duties of his said office, under the direction of the City Council, he shall be allowed the sum of two dollars per day, to be paid out of the City Treasury.

Approved Dec. 7th, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FIRE DEPARTMENT.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. A Fire Department is hereby established which shall consist of a Chief Engineer and four or more Assistant Engineers, and one Fire Warden for each ward, elected under section five of the act incorporating the City of Burlington, and all Engine, Hose, or Hook and Ladder Companies now belonging to the department, and such as may be organized hereafter by authority of the City Council, which department shall be under the direction and control of the Chief Engineer and his assistants, who shall have command at all fires or drills, in the order of their rank, and who shall wear at all fires and drills the proper insignia of office.

SEC. 2. The Board of Engineers shall make all needful rules and regulations for the government of the fire department—subject to the approval of the City Council. And the rules and regulations when approved, shall be published in one or more newspapers in the City of Burlington, and a printed copy thereof shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the room of each Engine, Hose, and Hook and Ladder Company.

SEC. 3. The Chief Engineer, or in his absence the Assistant Engineer next in rank, shall have the sole control and command over all other Engineers, all members of the fire department, and all other persons present at fires,

It shall be the duty of the several engineers, whenever an alarm of fire is given, to repair immediately to the place of the fire, and under the engineer in charge, take measures to arrange the engines and other apparatus for the effectual working in the extinguishment of the fire. It shall farther be the duty of the Chief Engineer, to examine into the condition of all reservoirs, hydrants, wells, and of the engines and all other fire apparatus, and the houses owned and rented by the city, and other property belonging to the fire department, and take a general supervision and care of the same. And the Chief Engineer shall on the first day of January in each year, make a full report to the Mayor, of all property belonging to this department, and the condition of the same; and also report the number of members of each fire company, and the officers of the same, and all accidents by fire that have happened in the city during the year, and causes thereof, the amount of losses by each fire and the insurance on the property destroyed or damaged, as far as they may be ascertained, which report may, by the direction of the City Council, be published as they shall direct.

The Chief Engineer shall at least once in each year, between the month of May and October, order out by a special notice of not less than six days, all the fire companies in the city, for drill and inspection; and the members of said companies shall appear at such drills and inspections in the uniform adopted by their company. And whenever any alteration or repairs are needed for any engine, hose, hose cart, or other apparatus connected with, or belonging to, the fire department, he shall under the direction of the committee on the fire department of the Board of Aldermen, cause the same to be

made, so that at all times the fire apparatus of the city, shall be, and be kept in thorough working order ; and his approval in writing, to any bill of repairs made as aforesaid, shall be required before such bill shall be paid.

SEC. 4. The members of each company shall annually elect a Foreman, one or more Assistant Foremen, and Clerk. It shall be the duty of the Foreman, or in his absence or disability, the Assistant Foreman next in command, of the several fire companies, to see that the engine or apparatus committed to their care, and the several buildings in which the same are deposited, and all things in and belonging to the same, are kept clean and in order for immediate use ; it shall also be the duty of said Foremen, or, in their absence, the next officers in command, to preserve order and discipline at all times in their respective companies, and require and enforce a strict compliance with the city ordinances for the regulation of this department.

They shall keep or cause to be kept by the clerks of their respective companies, fair and exact rolls of the members of their companies, specifying the date of their admission, their regularity of attendance at drills or fires, and the date of the discharge of any member, which rolls and other books and papers of said companies, shall always be open to the inspection of the engineers of this department. Any company may elect members by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting thereof, and may dismiss any member by a like vote at any regular meeting, or at a meeting called for that purpose. They shall also make, or cause to be made to the Chief Engineer, true and accurate returns of all the members, and the apparatus and property entrusted to their care, whenever called upon so to do by the Mayor or Chief Engineer, and to return on or before the first day of April annually to the City Assessors, certified lists of such members of their respective companies, as may by the provisions of this act be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the officers and members of the several engine, hose, and hook and ladder companies, whenever an alarm of fire is given, to repair forthwith to their respective engines or apparatus, and to assist in conveying the same to or near the place of the fire, in as orderly a manner as may be, in conformity to the orders and directions of the Chief and other Engineers, and to exert

themselves in the most orderly and efficient manner possible in working and managing the engines, hose, hooks and ladders and other apparatus and in performing any duty they may be called upon to do, by the Engineers; and upon the permission of the Chief or Engineer in charge, return their engines or apparatus to their respective places of deposit; *Provided*, that in the absence of all the Engineers, such permission may be given by their respective foremen.

SEC. 6. Any officer or member of the fire department who shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform his duty, or shall be guilty of disorderly conduct or disobedience to his superiors in office, shall for such offence be forthwith suspended from the department by the Engineer (then) in command, who shall without delay prefer written charges against the officer or member so offending, and such charges shall be acted upon by the Board of Engineers in whose presence said offender may appear. And said Board of Engineers may, on said hearing, dismiss such officer or member from the department.

The decision of the Board of Engineers shall be in writing, signed by at least a majority of its members and transmitted to the City Council.

On the dismissal of any officer or member from the fire department as aforesaid, the City Clerk shall immediately transmit a certified copy of the proceedings therein, to the clerk of the company of which said dismissed person is a member. Such company shall, within two weeks from the date of said certificate dismiss said person from the company, and strike his name from the roll of members, and on neglect of such company to dismiss such member as aforesaid, such company shall be deemed to be disbanded, and the Chief Engineer shall immediately take possession of all property belonging to the city in the hands or possession of said company.

SEC. 7. No company shall leave the city in case of fire in the neighboring towns, except by express order of the Chief Engineer, or in his absence, of the Assistant Engineer next in command, and be under the control of such Engineer during such absence from the city. Nor shall any company leave the city on any excursion, without the consent of the Chief Engineer. Nor shall any company take out of the city, on any excursion, any engine or other apparatus be-

longing to the city, without the consent of the Board of Aldermen, in which case the engine or apparatus shall be accompanied by at least one member of the Board of Engineers, and he shall have control of said engine or apparatus, while absent from the city.

SEC. 8. Whenever at any fire it shall be adjudged necessary to pull down or otherwise demolish any building to prevent the further spreading of the fire, the same may be done by the joint order of any three or more of the Engineers of this department (of whom the Chief Engineer, if present, shall be one) unless objected to by the Mayor, or three members of the Board of Aldermen.

SEC. 9. The polls of sixty members of the hook and ladder company, and the polls of forty members of each fire engine company, and twenty members of every hose company, belonging to the fire department of this city, shall be exempt from taxation, saving taxation for highways; *Provided* said members are active working members in their respective companies and not exempt from duty by any vote of the company; and the Foreman of each company shall return to the assessors, on or before the first day of April in each year a certified list of such members; otherwise such exemptions shall not be in force.

SEC. 10. All wood ashes kept within the city limits, shall be kept in buildings or places appropriated for that purpose, which shall be built of non-combustible materials and in a manner acceptable to the fire wardens of the respective wards.

SEC. 11. Not more than twenty-five pounds of gunpowder shall be kept in any one building within the limits aforesaid unless by written license from the Mayor; and all gunpowder kept for retailing in any store, shop or building, within said limits, shall be kept in metallic vessels, if in larger quantities than five pounds in any one parcel, or in metallic, glass or earthen vessels, when in larger quantities than eight ounces in any one parcel.

SEC. 12. No person shall keep more than two barrels of spirits of turpentine, camphene, gasoline, crude petroleum, naptha, benzine or other so-called burning fluids deemed explosive, nor more than five barrels of kerosene, in any one building, at once, without written license therefor from the Mayor, nor shall any person draw the same, except kerosene, from any barrel, package or

other vessel, for sale or use, except by daylight. The storage and safe keeping of all fire-crackers or fire-works of any kind, shall be under the control and direction of the fire warden of the ward in which said property is kept; and no gunpowder shall be manufactured within the limits aforesaid.

Provided that nothing in this section shall be construed to extend to common carriers, who may receive into their warehouses such articles transported or be transported by them for other persons or corporations.

SEC. 13. No person shall erect, keep or maintain any furnace for melting glass, or metals, or any stationary boiler for generating steam for propelling machinery in such a location within the city as shall be deemed by the Board of Aldermen to endanger the property of any other person; and if any such furnace or boiler, erected, kept or maintained within the limits of the city, shall be complained of as endangering the property of another, the Board of Aldermen, upon a proper hearing of the parties in interest, may order the owner or keeper of the same to cease to use, or to remove the same within such time as they may designate in their order for that purpose. And such person shall forfeit and pay to the treasurer of the city a fine of twenty dollars for each day he shall refuse, or neglect to comply with such order; and in case of a neglect to comply with such order for the space of ten days after the same is made and notice thereof given, the Board of Aldermen may cause such furnace or boiler to be removed, and the expense thereof shall be paid by the person who kept or maintained the same—which expense may be recovered, in addition to the fine herein provided for, and in the same prosecution.

SEC. 14. The Fire Warden shall inspect each and every building within their respective wards, once in the month of November in each year, and shall order the owner, or occupant, to make all necessary alterations for safety against fires, and to remove all unsafe and combustible materials to places of safety; and on the application of any trustworthy person the Fire Wardens shall at once inspect any building, or premises, complained of as dangerous or unsafe, in their respective

wards, and shall order the owner or occupant to make all necessary alterations for safety against fire, and to remove all unsafe and combustible materials to places of safety. And in case of the neglect or refusal of such owner, or occupant, to comply with the orders or directions of the Fire Warden, for the space of five days, he, the said Fire Warden, shall cause such alterations or removals to be made, and any person who shall neglect or refuse to comply with such orders or directions of the Fire Warden, for the time aforesaid, or who shall attempt to prevent the inspection aforesaid, or in any manner obstruct the Fire Wardens in carrying out the provisions of this ordinance, shall pay a fine not exceeding twenty dollars, together with the expense incurred by the Fire Warden in making such alterations and removals as aforesaid, both of which sums shall be recovered in, and by, the same prosecution.

Sec. 15. No gambling apparatus or intoxicating drink shall be brought into, be used or remain in any building occupied by the department, and none but members of the department shall occupy any such building.

Sec. 16. It shall be the duty of the Chief Engineer, with the advice and consent of the Mayor, to arrange with at least two of the sextons or persons having charge of church bells in the city, to ring the bells in their charge as alarms in case of fire, agreeing to pay a fixed sum for each alarm so sounded by them, and a farther sum in addition as a premium to the person who shall first sound the alarm upon the bell in his charge, in case of an actual fire.

Any person who shall knowingly give a false alarm of fire, or after an alarm has been given shall maliciously and falsely proclaim the fire to be extinguished, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for every such offence.

Sec. 17. If any person present at a fire shall refuse to obey the orders or directions of the Engineers, or if any person shall violate any rule, regulation, or by-law of the department, or any provision of this ordinance, or interfere with a fireman while in the discharge of his duties, the penalty for which is not otherwise provided, such offender shall, on conviction

hereof before the police court, forfeit and pay a fine to the city of not less than five nor more than ten dollars.

Approved Dec. 7th, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE TO SECURE THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE ORDERS OF THE HEALTH OFFICER.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. Whenever the health officer shall issue any order upon any person in connection with the duties of his, the said health officer's office, the same shall be served by a constable or police officer, upon the person upon whom such order is made, in the same manner as is provided by law for the service of a writ of summons, and the order shall specify the time within which the same is required to be executed.

SEC. 2. If any person shall disobey any lawful order of the health officer after the same shall have been served upon him as aforesaid, he shall pay a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and also the expense of fulfilling such order in case the same shall have been fulfilled at the expense of the city; and such fine and expense may be recovered together in one prosecution.

Approved Dec. 7th, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO PRIVIES, &c.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. No person, persons or corporation, shall hereafter occupy, or lease to any other person, persons or corporation, any dwelling-house, building or tenement, to be used or occupied for dwelling-house purposes, or any public building or manufactory within the limits of this city, which shall not first be provided with suitable drains, privies, and cess-pools, for the accommodation of all persons who may occupy such dwelling-house, building, or tenement to the acceptance of the health officer of the city.

SEC. 2. No person shall erect or maintain any privy or cess-pool within twenty feet of the dwelling-house or well of any other

person in this city, unless by special permission of the health officer of the city.

SEC. 3. No person shall deposit or suffer to remain upon the surface of the ground owned or occupied by him, any slops, filthy water, garbage, or other noxious or filthy substance, within twenty feet of any occupied building in this city; and no person shall permit any privy, cess-pool or drain upon premises owned or occupied by him in this city, to become unwholesome, unfit for use, or dangerous to the public health.

SEC. 4. No person shall authorize, suffer or permit any dwelling-house, building or tenement, belonging to him or of which he shall have the possession, care or control, to be used or occupied by a greater number of persons than shall be consistent with a due regard to the health of such occupants.

SEC. 5. No person shall erect or continue any privy within forty feet of any street, public avenue or lane, or of the dwelling, shop or store of any other person, unless the same is vaulted six feet deep and thoroughly secured, enclosed and covered; or shall erect or keep any pen or sty for swine, so near the dwelling house of another, as, in the judgment of the health officer, to be a nuisance. And no privy vault shall be opened for the purpose of cleansing or repair, without the written permission of the health officer, specifying the hour when such opening may be made.

SEC. 6. Any person who shall offend against any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall forfeit and pay for each and every offence, a sum not less than five dollars, nor more than fifty dollars.

Approved Dec. 7th, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO CEMETERIES.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Every person who shall enter any burial ground or cemetery in this city, and wilfully and maliciously mutilate, destroy or take away any tree, shrub, vine or flower, or steal, take and carry away any tree, shrub, vine or flower, or any vase, pot or other vessel used for flowers and plants therein ;

or any other thing placed therein for ornament or use, without the consent of the owner thereof, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, one-half of which shall be given to the person giving information of the same.

Approved Dec. 7th, 1875.

AN ORDINANCE TO PREVENT INJURIOUS PRACTICES IN THE
STREETS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows:*

SEC. 1. No person shall break or dig up the ground or pavement in any street, lane or alley, or on any sidewalk or common in the city, or erect any staging for building thereon, or in dangerous or inconvenient proximity thereto, or place or deposit any stone, earth, brick, lumber or other building materials thereon, without first obtaining a written license from the Mayor and Aldermen, and complying in all respects with the conditions of such license; which license shall state the time allowed for the continuance of the obstructions within the public highway or street.

SEC. 2. Whenever any street, lane, alley or sidewalk, or other public place in the city, shall, under any license, granted as provided in the preceding section, be dug up, obstructed, encumbered or otherwise thereby rendered unsafe or inconvenient for travel, the person so licensed shall put, and at all times keep up, a suitable railing or fence around the section of any street, lane, alley or other public place so obstructed, so long as the same shall be or remain unsafe or inconvenient as aforesaid; and shall also keep one or more lighted lanterns fixed to such fence, or fixed in some other proper manner, every night, from twilight in the evening and throughout the whole night, so long as such railing or fence shall be kept standing, or obstruction remain. He shall also, within such reasonable time as the Mayor and Aldermen shall direct, amend, and repair such street, lane or alley, sidewalk or public place, to their acceptance.

SEC. 3. No person shall establish or maintain any awning, shade or flag, or suspend or display any sign or article of merchandise over any part of any street or sidewalk, without written per-

mission from the Mayor and Aldermen, which permission shall be revocable, and any person having such permission so establishing or continuing to maintain the same, shall, in all respects, conform to any directions in relation to the location, extent, material, construction and maintenance thereof, which shall be given by the Mayor and Aldermen. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section, or any such directions of the Mayor and Aldermen, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than three nor more than twenty dollars, and to a like penalty for every day that any such awning, shade, sign or flag shall be continued in violation or neglect of such provision or direction.

SEC. 4. No person shall erect, set up or maintain any portico, platform or door-step, extending into any highway, street or sidewalk, without the written permission of the Mayor, approved by the Board of Aldermen, which permission shall be revocable.

SEC. 5. No person shall put or place, or cause to be put or placed, in any street, lane or alley, or in any of the waters of, or other public place in the city, any house dirt, ashes, garbage, shreds, shavings, filth, offal, oyster shells or other kind of rubbish, except in such place and in such manner as the Mayor and Aldermen may prescribe.

SEC. 6. No person shall permit any goat, swine, horse, cow or other neat cattle, belonging to him or her, or under his or her control, to go at large or depasture in any street, lane or alley, or on any common in the city.

SEC. 7. No person shall ride or drive in any street, lane or highway in such a manner as to endanger or unreasonably inconvenience any person passing therein; nor shall there be any racing or trial of speed, between the owners or drivers of different horses, of their respective animals, in any public street. Nor shall any person drive with, or in any sled, sledge or sleigh of any description, whether of burden, or of pleasure, faster than a walk in or through any public street, lane or alley in this city, unless there shall be three or more bells attached to the thill or pole thereof, or the harness of the horse, or horses, drawing the same.

SEC. 8. No person shall drive, wheel or draw any coach, cart, wheelbarrow or other vehicle of burden or pleasure, (except children's carriages drawn by hand,) or permit any horse or other ani-

mal under his care to go upon any sidewalk in the city, or otherwise unnecessarily occupy, obstruct or encumber any such sidewalk so as to interfere with the convenient use of the same by passengers.

SEC. 9. No team shall stand across any public highway or street in such manner as to obstruct the travel over the same; and no team shall stop in any public street at the side of, or so near to another team as to obstruct the travel. And no person shall stop with any team or carriage, (except for the purpose of receiving or delivering passengers, and then only for such time as is necessary therefor,) or place any obstructions of any kind across any flag or stepping-stones or other footwalk laid across any street or highway in the city.

SEC. 10. No person shall move or cause to be moved any house, shop or other building, through any street, lane or alley, or over any bridge in the city, without first obtaining a written license therefor, from the Mayor and Aldermen, who may grant the same on such terms and conditions as they shall deem to be safe and proper; *Provided*, that a condition of such license shall be that no injury shall be done to any shade, fruit or other ornamental tree standing in or contiguous to any such street, alley or highway; and such license shall also specify the streets through which, and the time within which, said building shall be moved, beyond which time such license shall not avail. And any person offending against the provisions of this section, in addition to the penalties provided in the twentieth section of this ordinance, shall pay not less than one, nor more than twenty dollars for every tree so defaced, and every day said building shall remain in any street or highway beyond the time specified in the license.

SEC. 11. Any person who shall throw or put, or cause to be thrown or put, any snow or ice in any street, lane or alley in the city, shall cause the same to be broken up and spread evenly over the surface of such street, lane or alley.

SEC. 12. No person shall play at ball, or at any game of chance or skill upon any of the public parks, commons or streets in this city, or expose in, or upon any street, lane, alley, public place or common, in the city, any table or device of any kind, for the purpose of having any game of chance played, nor shall any person play any such game at such table or device, in or upon any street, lane,

alley, public place, or common in the city. No person shall place or keep any table, stall, booth, or other erection, in any street, lane, alley or public place, or on any square or sidewalk, in the city, for sale of fruit or other things, without permission first obtained of the Mayor and Aldermen.

SEC. 13. No person shall, except in the performance of some duty required by law, discharge any gun, pistol, or other fire-arms loaded with balls or shot, or with powder only, or squibs, or fire-crackers, serpent, or other preparation whereof gun-powder or other explosive substance is an ingredient, or which consists wholly of the same, within the principal inhabited parts of the city, or within twenty-five rods of any dwelling house therein. And no person shall make any bon-fire in or upon any street, lane, common or public place within the city, except by authority of the Mayor and Aldermen. This section shall not apply to any person discharging a gun or pistol on his own premises, if done in the day time, in such a way as not to alarm or annoy other persons.

SEC. 14. No person shall injure, deface or destroy any guide-post or guide-board, any lamp-post or lamp thereon, heretofore erected or which shall be erected in the city, or any building, fence, post or other thing, set, erected or made for use or ornament of the city, nor shall any person move, mutilate, or destroy, without the consent of the owners thereof, any sign, sign-post, awning-post, or other thing, the private property of individuals, lawfully set, erected or placed in or upon any street, highway, or public place in the city.

SEC. 15. No person shall cut down or remove, mutilate, or otherwise injure or destroy any fruit, shade or other ornamental tree now growing, or which may hereafter be growing in any public street, lane, alley, common or other public ground in the city, without the permission of the Mayor and Aldermen. And no person shall fasten any horse or other animal to any such tree or place or leave such horse or other animal so as to endanger or deface the same.

SEC. 16. No person shall behave himself in a rude or disorderly manner, or use any indecent, profane or insulting language in any street, lane or alley, or public place in the city, or near any dwelling house or building therein, or be or remain upon any side-

walk or upon any door step, portico or other projection from any such house or other building, to the annoyance or disturbance of any other person. No person shall make any indecent figures, nor write any indecent or obscene words upon any fence, building or any other public place within the city, nor shall any person, by any noise, gesture or other means, wantonly and designedly frighten any horse or horses, in any street or other public place in the city. No person shall throw any stones or other missiles in or upon any public street, common or other ground belonging to the city.

SEC. 17. Annually, between the 15th and 30th days of June, and the 1st and 15th days of September, it shall be the duty of all owners, or occupants of any land adjoining any street or highway of the City, to cut down and remove from the street and sidewalk opposite such land, between the line of the street and the centre thereof, all thistles, weeds or other noxious vegetable growth, which may be a nuisance, or injury, to the community; and to remove from said street or sidewalk, all garbage, filth, bricks, stones, or other rubbish which may be in said portion of said street or sidewalk at any time, and any person neglecting to comply with any provision of this section, after having been notified so to do by the Street Commissioners, in writing, shall pay a fine not exceeding five dollars.

SEC. 18. The occupant, tenant, and in case there shall be no occupant, the owner, agent, or person having the care of any land or buildings bordering on such streets, lanes, courts, alleys, squares, or other public places, within the city, as may hereafter be designated by resolution of the city council, wherein there is any footway, sidewalk, awning, or shade, shall, after the ceasing to fall of any snow, if in the day time, within four hours, and if in the night time, before twelve o'clock at noon then next succeeding, cause the snow to be removed from the awning, or shade, and sidewalk.

SEC. 19. No person shall coast, course or slide on any sleigh, sled or other vehicle in any of the streets or highways of the city, nor upon the sidewalks thereof, except such streets and highways as shall be designated by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

SEC. 20. No person shall take hold of or ride upon any sleigh,

wagon or other vehicle, while the same is passing in the street, without permission of the owner or driver thereof.

SEC. 21. Any person who shall offend against any of the provisions of this ordinance shall forfeit and pay for every and each offense, a sum not less than one dollar nor more than twenty dollars.

SEC. 22. No person shall be prosecuted or tried for any breach of the provisions of this ordinance, unless complaint for the same shall be instituted and commenced within six months from the time of committing such breach.

SEC. 23. The constables, and all police officers, are especially directed to see the provisions of this ordinance enforced.

Approved January 18, 1876.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE SALE AND MEASUREMENT OF WOOD.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. The Mayor shall annually appoint one or more surveyors of wood, whose duty it shall be to measure all wood offered for sale by the load, within the city limits, and to furnish to each person so offering wood for sale, a certificate of measurement of each load of wood; And he may charge for each certificate of measurement the sum of ten cents.

SEC. 2. No person shall offer for sale any wood by the load, within the city limits, without first causing the same to be measured by one of the surveyors of wood, and obtaining from him a certificate of measurement. Nor shall any person represent any load so offered for sale, to contain a greater quantity than is represented by said certificate of measurement.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall violate any provision of the ordinance shall pay a fine not exceeding ten dollars.

Approved January 18th, 1876.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE WATER DEPARTMENT,
It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :

SEC. 1. The Superintendent of the City Water Works, shall have the general supervision of the water works belonging to the city, under such regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by the city council, and shall have the right at all times to enter the premises of any person using the water, for the purpose of examining the pipe or other apparatus connected with the service pipe, and the manner in which water is used on such premises, and shall enter the premises of all persons using water from the city water works, between the first and twentieth days of May and November in each year, and shall examine the pipes and other fixtures connected with the service pipe, and see that the same are in order, and that the water on such premises is used according to the ordinances, rules and regulations of the water department, and make report to the city Treasurer of all use made of any water by any person, and shall make a tax bill of all regular water rates to become due on the first days of June and December in each year, and deliver the same to the city Treasurer on or before the twenty-fifth days of May and November in each year, for collection, and shall make a monthly tax bill of all special rates and deliver the same on or before the first day of each and every month, to the city Treasurer, for collection.

SEC. 2. The city council shall prescribe such rules and regulations for the government of the city water works as they shall deem advisable, and may from time to time, by resolution or otherwise, adopt such pipe or other apparatus for the use of the city water works as they shall deem advisable.

SEC. 3. It is hereby made the duty of the superintendent of the city water works, at the end of each month to make up an account in detail of the expenses of the same (together with a statement of the outstanding liabilities) for such month, and present the same to the Board of Aldermen on or before the regular meeting of the board for the succeeding month.

SEC. 4. No person shall use the water supplied by the city water works, tap the mains, or any pipe leading from the same, or attach any pipe thereto ; or make any extension or alterations of or

addition to the service pipe upon his premises, without applying to the superintendent of the city water works, at his office, and signing an application for the same stating the purpose for which he desires to use it. No plumber or any other person shall connect any water closet, bath tub, fountain, machinery, faucet or any other apparatus whatever with the city water works without first obtaining permission so to do from the superintendent of the city water works in writing, specifying the manner in which the same shall be done, and the pipe, bibbs and other material to be used therein, and it shall be the duty of the superintendent of the city water works, whenever any such permits shall have been given by him, to report the same to the city Treasurer immediately thereafter. Any person who shall offend against any provision of this section, shall pay a fine not less than three nor more than thirty dollars for each and every offense.

SEC. 5. If any person shall give away or use any water from the city water works, for any other purpose than that for which he has signed, the superintendent of the city water works shall immediately cut off the water from the premises of such offender, and such offender shall be deprived of the use of the water until he shall pay to the superintendent of the city water works, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for cutting off and turning on the water, and in addition thereto the regular water rates for the water so used or given away. And any person who shall give away or use any water from the city water works, for any other purpose than that for which he has signed, shall pay a fine not less than three nor more than ten dollars, for each and every offence.

SEC. 6. The regular service rates of water rents shall begin on the first days of June and December, in each year, and shall be paid in advance for the term of six months, and special service rates of water rents shall be paid in advance, for the term of one month, and said regular and special service rates of water rents, shall be payable to and collected by the city Treasurer at his office.

The committee of the Board of Aldermen on the water department shall have power to fix all regular and special service rates from time to time, subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen.

If said regular service rates are not paid on or before the tenth days of June and December respectively, and said special service rates on or before the tenth day of each month respectively, the city Treasurer shall report all delinquents whose rates remain unpaid at that time to the superintendent of the city water works, who shall immediately cut off the water from the premises of such delinquent, until such regular or special service rates due from such delinquent, with five per cent in addition thereto, are paid, together with the sum of two dollars for cutting off and turning on the water.

SEC. 7. No person shall open any public hydrant or fire plug, or draw water therefrom, excepting the water committee or the superintendent, or persons under their direction, or the chief engineer of the fire department, and members of fire companies under his direction, for fire purposes.

SEC. 8. No person upon whose premises a regular water rate is assessed, or who shall take water by special rates, after the water shall have been shut off for cause, as is provided in sections five and six of this ordinance, shall let on the water, or, let the water run from the pipes on such premises, or authorize, cause or permit the water to be let on, or draw or use any water from the city water works, on the premises of any other person, with or without the permission of such person unless the same be done by, or under the direction of the superintendent of the city water works.

Any person who shall offend against any provision of this section shall pay a fine not less than three nor more than thirty dollars for each and every offence.

SEC. 9. All lateral pipe shall be laid at the expense of the city to the line of the street, the city furnishing the stopcock and box and keeping the same at all times in repair, extraordinaries excepted; but the city will not be accountable for obstructions by frost or otherwise, or for leakages of hydrants or pipes, and damages thereby upon the premises of individuals.

SEC. 10. It is hereby further made the duty of the superintendent of the city water works, and in his absence, of the person or persons acting in his stead, whenever he or they shall shut off the supply from any of the hydrants, or fire plugs, in any part of the city, for repairs or other proper causes, and he or they shall find it necessary to keep the supply of water shut off therefrom, over night

of the day when so shut off, to immediately give notice thereof to the chief engineer of the fire department, or in the absence of the chief engineer from the city, to the assistant engineer of the fire department residing nearest to the hydrants or fire plugs so cut off. And he shall state in his notice particularly to what extent the hydrants and fire plugs are so by him rendered unavailable for fire service. And shall also notify said chief engineer or assistant engineer, when the said hydrants and fire plugs are again in working order. And that no failure to receive such notice by the fire department shall occur, the said superintendent, or person in charge of said city water works in his absence, shall give the notices as aforesaid, either in person or by special messenger.

SEC. 11. It is hereby further made the duty of the superintendent of city water works, when he shall have cause to shut off the supply of water on any line of pipe for repairs, to immediately notify the water takers on the line of pipe to be shut off, stating as near as possible the length of time said supply will be shut off.

SEC. 12. It is hereby further made the duty of the superintendent of city water works, to make personal examination of the hydrants and fire plugs belonging to the city from time to time and to keep them in working order at all times, except when shut off for repairs; and all defects therein, to cause to be repaired without delay.

SEC. 13. Any person who shall wilfully injure or disfigure any building, hydrant or fence, or other apparatus connected with the city water works, or the fences or trees and buildings upon the reservoir grounds, or throw anything whatsoever into, or upon the water of the reservoir, shall be subject to a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

SEC. 14. All ordinances now in force respecting the water department are hereby repealed.

Approved Jan. 18th, 1876.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO MEAT AND FISH MARKETS,

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

SEC. 1. No person shall keep a market, shop, cellar or other

place, for the sale of fresh meat, or fresh fish, in the City of Burlington, without a license therefor from the city council.

SEC. 2. Every license granted under the provisions of this ordinance shall be signed by the Mayor, and run to the first day of January next, after the date thereof, and shall describe the building or place in which the sale of meat or fish is authorized by such license, and the city council may revoke such license if they judge it to be for the public good to do so.

SEC. 3. Every license under this ordinance shall be issued by the city clerk, and shall not be valid until recorded in his office, and the fee for the record of such license shall be paid by the person or persons licensed, and such record fee is hereby established at fifty cents.

SEC. 4. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be punished by a fine of not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars for each and every day he shall keep such market, shop, cellar or other place for the sale of meat or fish, as mentioned in section one of this ordinance, without the license therein required.

Approved January 18, 1876.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE ERECTION OF WOODEN BUILDINGS, ROOFS AND AWNINGS.

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington as follows :

SEC. 1. No person shall erect any wooden buildings within certain prescribed limits of the City of Burlington (hereinafter named) without license granted therefor by the city council.

SEC. 2. No person shall cover the roof of any building within the limits of that portion of the city hereinafter described, with shingles or other wooden substances, without license therefor granted by the city council.

SEC. 3. No person shall erect or place any awning or shade made in part or wholly of wood, over any portion of any street, lane, alley, sidewalk or public common, within the limits of the city hereinafter described, without license therefor granted by the city council.

SEC. 4. The following portion of the city hereinafter bounded and described shall constitute the limits in which no wooden building or buildings covered with shingles or wooden substances, or the erection or placing of any awning or shade, made in part or wholly of wood, without license therefor granted by the city council, to wit : Commencing at a point five rods south of the centre line of Maple street in the centre line of Battery street ; thence easterly, parallel with said Maple street, to Willard street ; thence north, including both sides of said Willard street, to a point five rods north of Pearl street ; thence west, parallel with Pearl street, to the centre line of Battery street ; thence south, in centre line of Battery street, to the point of beginning.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the superintendent of streets to see that the provisions of this ordinance are enforced.

SEC. 6. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and to a like penalty for every day that any such building, roof, awning or shade shall be maintained or continued in violation of the provisions of this ordinance.

Approved January 18, 1876.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO COMMON SHOWMEN, AND
SHOWS OF EVERY KIND NOT INTERDICTED BY LAW, AND
THE LICENSING OF ITINERANT VENDERS, [TRANSIENT
AUCTIONEERS AND PEDLARS,

It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

SEC. 1. Any person, (or persons) desiring to exhibit any show of any kind within the limits of this city, shall be required to take out a license therefor, before opening any such show to the public.

SEC. 2. Every itinerant vender and pedlar, or transient auctioneer, desiring to pursue his vocation within the limits of this City, shall be required to take out license therefor, before offering any article for sale.

SEC. 3. There shall be paid by the owner, or owners of each and every menagerie or circus, or combination thereof,

exhibited within the limits of this City, a license fee of not less than fifty dollars, which sum shall be fixed by the Mayor and paid to the Treasurer before any exhibition thereof shall be allowed to take place. For all other shows, such sum—not less than five dollars, nor more than fifty dollars—as the Mayor shall determine upon, at the time application for license shall be made; which sum shall be paid to the Treasurer before such show shall be opened to the public.

SEC. 4. A license fee of not less than three dollars, nor more than fifteen dollars, shall be paid by each and every itinerant vender, pedlar and transient auctioneer, which sum shall be fixed by the Mayor, and be paid to the Treasurer before the business of such licensee shall be commenced.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police to fix the station of every such show, vender, pedlar or auctioneer, having a license as aforesaid, upon or near the streets or places of the City, in such manner as will not interfere with the ordinary passage or business of the streets and walks; and the police shall suppress and prevent the continuance of any such show, vending, peddling or auctioneering, if at any time the same shall disturb the public peace, notwithstanding a license may have been obtained.

SEC. 6. The City Clerk shall issue all licenses granted by the Mayor under this ordinance—keep a record thereof, and report the same to the next meeting of the Board of Aldermen.

SEC. 7. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall pay a fine of not less than three dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Approved January 18, 1876.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO INNKEEPERS, AUCTIONEERS
PORTERS, CARTMEN, AND THE OWNERS AND DRIVERS OF
HACKNEY COACHES, CABS AND CARRIAGES.

*It is hereby ordained by the City Council of the City of Burlington,
as follows :*

SEC. 1. No person shall keep an inn within the City of Burlington, without a license therefor from the city council.

SEC. 2. No person shall sell, or offer for sale, at auction, within said city, any goods, or chattels, except as mentioned in the proviso to section 17 of chapter 81 of the General Statutes of Vermont, without a license therefor from the city council.

SEC. 3. No person shall set up, use or drive, in said city, any hackney coach, cab, sleigh or carriage, for the conveyance of persons for hire, without a license therefor from the city council.

SEC. 4. All licenses granted under the provisions of this ordinance, shall be signed by the Mayor, and run for a period not exceeding one year from the date thereof, and shall be recorded in the city clerk's office; and the same may be revoked by the city council, if, in their judgment, the public good may require it.

SEC. 5. For each license so granted, there shall be paid to the city treasurer, before such license shall be delivered or take effect, the following fees :

For innkeepers, fifteen dollars each, per year. For auctioneers, such sum as the city council may prescribe at the time of granting such license. For hackney coaches, cabs, sleighs, and carriages, five dollars each, per year.

SEC. 6. Every hackney coach, cab, carriage, wagon, cart, or other vehicle, for which a license is granted under this ordinance, shall have placed upon the outside of the same, in plain legible words and figures, the number of such license.

SEC. 7. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall forfeit and pay to said city, not less than five dollars, nor more than twenty dollars.

Approved Jan. 18, 1876.

STREET DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF

D. C. LINSLEY, Supt.

From Jan. 1st., 1875, to April 5th, 1875.

1875		Cash account April 5th, 1875.	
Jan.	1	Amount on hand as per cash book	\$ 805 95
	14	Received of G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	1000 00
Feb.	3	" P. R. Rowley, am't bill ren'd,	4 45
	5	" A. Taylor, " "	37 66
	8	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	500 00
Mar.	1	" H. Walker, drain tile,	3 61
	1	" C. C. Ray, bill curbing,	40 02
	3	" G. D. Weller, City Treasurer,	600 00
	12	" Horace Wheeler, Agt., bill curb'g,	144 22
	17	" Burl. Water Works, bill ren'd,	19 87
	27	" A. A. Drew, bill ren'd,	3 76
	29	" F. C. Kennedy, bill crushed stone,	157 66
Apr.	3	" J. D. Allen, " "	3 00
	5	" L. C. Dodge, " "	1 53
		" D. C. Linsley, use of horse	
		B. & L. R. R. Survey,	9 25
		" L. L. Lawrence, crushed stone,	1 40
		" Jas. Zottman, bill rendered,	75
		" H. G. Willard, "	5 87
		" Elmore Johnson, supt., bill ren'd,	10 13
		" George H. Bigelow, "	34 22
		Amount unclaimed, pay roll Mar. 20,	50

\$3,383 ₤

AMOUNT EXPENDED AS FOLLOWS:

Voucher No. 1	Pay roll, Jan. 1st to 2nd inclusive	\$17 66
" 2	" week ending Jan. 9	48 24
" 3	F. J. Hendee, bill of hay	15 90
" 4	Pay roll, week ending Jan. 16	46 24
" 5	A. Taylor, bill of work at park	35 00
" 6	Pay roll week ending Jan. 23	52 74
" 7	A. R. & G. M. Duncan, bill repair bridge	32 92
" 8	Shepard, Davis & Co., lumber	42 13
" 9	C. W. Lippitt, feed	14 00
" 10	Pay roll week ending Jan. 30	72 74
" 11	D. C. Linsley, bill of services	58 33
" 12	A. G. Strong, nails, &c.,	3 20
" 13	F. J. Hendee, hay	37 99
" 14	G. N. Willard, blacksmithing	13 25
" 15	Pay roll week ending Feb. 6	34 74
" 16	" " " 13	46 24
" 17	H. A. Buttolph, hay	16 58
" 18	Lowry & Montgomery, painting carts	25 00
" 19	Pay roll week ending Feb. 20	52 74
" 20	Wheelock & Griffin iron pipe	4 19
" 21	Smith & Bagley, repairs,	4 95
" 22	Ripley & Holton, lacings	1 50
" 23	Geo. I Hagar, oil, &c.,	1 58
" 24	B. S. Nichols & Co., repairing auger	2 20
" 25	C. H. Clark, paid cartage, &c.	4 55
" 26	C. W. Lippitt, feed	33 00
" 27	F. J. Hendee, hay	32 96
" 28	Pay roll week ending Feb. 27	159 49
" 29	H. G. Willard, rent of barn	10 00
" 30	D. C. Linsley, services	58 33
" 31	Walker Bros. & Co., curbing, &c.	1564 23
" 32	Pay roll week ending Mar. 6	99 24
" 33	" " " 13	71 74
" 34	" " " 20	70 24
" 35	" " " 27	33 99
" 36	A. G. Strong, iron	4 10

Voucher No.37	J. Black, manure	\$4 00
" 38	M. C. Graton, manure	6 00
" 39	C. W. Lippitt, feed	33 00
" 40	A. J. Merrill, straw	7 39
" 41	Jos Gates, snowing bridge	10 00
" 42	Geo. H. Bostwick, blacksmithing	6 23
" 43	Pay roll week ending Apr. 3	129 49
" 44	F. J. Hendee, hay	42 49
" 45	D. C. Linsley, services	58 33
" 46	R. P. Sattley, feed	14 44
" 47	J. W. Hayes, kindle wood	6 00
" 48	D. C. Linsley, services	8 96
" 49	C. H. Clark, services, &c.	8 16
" 50	H. S. Lane, repairing harness	5 00
" 51	A. R. & G. M. Duncan, repairing bridge	2 00
" 52	Drew & Perry, horse hire	3 00
" 53	C. H. Clark, paid sundries	2 75
" 54	Burl. Gas Light Co., gas	1 71
" 55	A. G. Strong, pick handles,	1 25
" 56	A. G. Peirce, salt and bags	3 00
" 57	Geo. I. Hagar, twine and sponge,	1 00
" 58	Shepard, Davis & Co., lumber	3 20
" 59	Smith & Bagley, repairing tools, &c.	3 35
" 60	H. G. Willard, rent of barn	6 83
" 61	S. Huntington & Co., stationery	5 15
" 62	G. N. Willard, blacksmithing	23 31
" 63	Burl. Water Works, use of boiler, &c	17 50

Amount unclaimed on pay roll Mar. 20, returned to City

Treasurer 50

Cash to balance, paid City Treasurer 147 83

\$3,383 85

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of D. C. Linsley, Superintendent of Streets, from January 1st, 1875, to April 5th, 1875, and find them correct.

N. PARKER,
M. MULQUEEN,
H. H. DOOLITTLE, } Auditors.

Burlington, Jan. 19, 1876.

RECAPITULATION.

1875.

Jan. 1 Balance on hand as per City		
Treasurer's books,	\$554	63
Amount received City Treasurer,		
to date,	2,100	00
	<hr/>	\$2,654 63

Amount expended from Jan. 1st to April 5th, 1875, distributed
as follows :

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT OF STREETS.

Bank Street,	\$13	00
Cherry Street,	26	54
College Street,	85	30
Church Street,	110	92
Main Street,	38	80
North Street, (Basin),	73	69
St. Paul Street,	45	09

CONSTRUCTION OF STREETS.

Winooski Avenue, Extension,	\$24	75
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REPAIRS OF ROADWAY.

Champlain Street,	\$2	00
Chase Street,	1	00
Colchester Avenue,	3	00
Elm Street,	1	00
King Street,	50	
Loomis Street,	1	00
Main Street,	12	50
Maple Street,	3	50
North Street,	3	00
North Avenue,	2	75
Pearl Street,	7	00
Pine Street,	3	00

Prospect Street,	2 50
Proctor Street,	11 00
St. Paul Street,	1 00
Shelburn Street,	3 50
Spruce Street,	17 50
Union Street,	2 13
Unclassified Repairs,	188 26
Winooski Turnpike,	15 75
Willard Street,	1 00
Winooski Avenue,	1 00
Winooski Road,	3 00

SIDEWALKS.

College Street,	\$2 00
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BRIDGE REPAIRS.

Heineberg Bridge,	\$10 00
Winooski Bridge,	33 17

MISCELLANEOUS.

Crushing Stone,	\$1 50
Gen. Superintendence, &c.	442 06
Office Expenses,	135 82
Repairing Tools,	73 99
Tools and Stock,	14 47

PARKS.

City Park,	\$824 26
College Park,	1 00

SEWERS.

Ravine, from Lake East,	\$262 77
St. Paul Street,	35 00

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Permanent Improvement of Streets,	\$393 34
General Repairs of Streets,	892 93
Construction of Streets,	24 75
Tools and Stock,	7 23
Sewer Construction,	329 67
Bridges,	43 17
Parks,	849 93
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	\$2,541 02

REPORT OF
GEO. W. BECKWITH,
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

The accompanying report shows \$7,007.99 of the highway tax expended since my appointment on the 5th of April. This amount has been paid for what is termed "general repairs," although in making the repairs we have endeavored to work the streets to as near the established grade as possible.

The Treasurer's report at this time shows a ballance due the Street Department of \$616.82 with a large amount of taxes uncollected, which, when paid, should increase the amount to some \$1,200.00, which added to the highway tax of 1876 will give a fair sum to help make permanent improvements.

There was some crushed stone on hand April 5th. Since which about 900 perch have been crushed. Of these 319 perch have been sold to private parties, 408 used on the streets and 207 perch of fine material given away for street sidewalks and City Hall Park walks.

Had the general business of the country been more prosperous, property holders would have petitioned the Board of Aldermen to grade and macadamize some of our streets, as provided for by our amended charter. I have assurances that this will be done the coming season if the city will be willing to bear a fair portion of the cost.

Church street part of the past season was in a horrid condition. It was expected new water pipe would be laid, when it was intended to grade and put in good condition. As soon as the water main is

laid I would advise grading, curbing and guttering what is not already done, and macadamizing from the pavement at Bank street to Pearl street, if such is the wish of a majority of property holders abutting thereon, and that the highway tax bear part of the cost, believing it will be cheapest in the end for both city and property holders.

There has been no sidewalk curb set the past season at the expense of the highway tax. The county graded the sidewalk and set the curb in front of the Court House. The Baptist society done the same in front of their church. The trustees of the College continued the curb around the north end of the College Park some 600 feet. Geo. L. Warner set curb in front of his premises on Church street. With the exception of the last the city have laid a gutter alongside all and graded the street in part. We have laid a broad gutter in Maple street alongside the lot of Edward Lyman's residence, he paying \$40,00 towards the cost. Some 250 yards of gutter was relaid in Maple street near S. L. Herrick's lot, he paying one-half the cost \$25,50.

Winooski Bridge has been planked over new, the cost with former repairs being \$300,08, one-fifth of which is charged to the town of Colchester.

SEWERS.

College street. The old eight inch pipe between St. Paul and Church streets was taken up and new twelve inch cement pipe laid in the centre line of the street at a true grade from its connection with a manhole west of the west line of St. Paul street easterly 364 feet to the end of the sewer, the east end being ten feet below the established grade of the street. The whole cost being \$583,69 of which the city was assessed \$263,47, and property holders \$320,22.

College street from ravine to Church street, commencing with a well and manhole connecting with the main sewer through the ravine and running westerly in the centre line of College street about 247 feet with twenty-four inch cement pipe, there connecting with a manhole, thence continuing westerly in the centre line of the street about 300 feet or to within 60 feet of the east line of Church street with twelve inch cement pipe. The inside of the bottom of the pipe is ten feet below the established grade of the street. At the west

end is a lamp tube coming to the surface and covered with an iron plate. The whole costing \$1,148.48 of which cost the city was assessed \$368.05 and property abutting \$780.43.

Winooski Avenue sewer, commencing at the manhole in the centre of College street and running northerly in the centre line of the Avenue 1875 feet to the centre of Grant street with 18 inch cement pipe, thence continuing in centre line of said Avenue 656 feet with 12 inch cement pipe. A lamp tube is placed at the north end and another at the change of grade at Bank street, both tubes coming to the surface and covered with iron plates. Manholes are built at the change of grade at Pearl and Grant streets. The inside of the bottom of the sewer is ten feet below the established grade of the Avenue. Whole cost of sewer, \$3,980.91 of which the city was assessed \$478.73 and the property abutting \$3,502.18.

The only work done on the main sewer has been the filling of the pond south of the Court House. This was done more as a sanitary measure than for sewerage, but would in part have to be done before the main sewer could be completed. This work cost \$405.42 and was charged to the general sewerage account.

NEW STREETS.

Willard street by order of the Court has been opened and worked from Pearl street northerly to Hyde street 2900 feet at a cost of \$618.82 to the city, not chargeable to highway tax.

CITY HALL PARK.

This department under direction of the committee on Public Buildings and Parks have expended on City Hall Park \$1,399.61 in completing the grading of the Park and its sidewalks, furnishing and setting 503½ feet of inside sidewalk curbstone, repairing, fencing, draining and painting the fountain, putting in small hose hydrant, putting in seats, graveling walks, &c.

MATERIAL ON HAND.

1000 lbs. hay; 300 lbs. straw; 3956 ft. timber; 500 pieces 2 inch drain tile; 2 tons coal.

STOCK AND TOOLS.

Crusher buildings at Willard's ledge. 1 Blake's Pat. 15 x 9 Crusher; 1 No. 6 Ames Portable Engine. 9 horses; 7 carts; 1 old cart; 1 double wagon; 1 single business wagon; 6 whiffletrees; 1 evener; 1 tool cart; 7 cart harnesses; 1 old cart harness; 1 sett double harness; 1 derrick and rigging; 1 heavy road roller; 1 windless and rigging; 1 ditcher; 1 large highway plow; 1 common plow; 2 post hole augers; 3 plugs for sewer connections; 1 hydrant reducer; 1 spirit level; 1 square; 2 tamping bars; 2 axes; 1 sand screen; 2 branding irons; 1 sewer grate; 2 cast iron cart hubs; 1 road scraper; 1 cement box; 1 log chain; 3 pieces chain; 1 boat pump; $\frac{1}{2}$ bbl. tar; 1 tar pot; 2 sett clevis chains; 1 water hhd.; 3 sett iron blocks and chains; 3 tripods; 3 pair shears; 1 single block; 1 pick handle; 2 snow plows; 2 belt punches; 6 padlocks and keys; 1 engine hoe; 1 poker, 1 clinker rake; 1 funnel; 3 kerosene lamps; 1 reflector; 2 handsaws; 1 garden rake; 8 pails; 3 feed boxes; 1 two tined fork; 1 four tined fork; 6 lanterns; 2 plow handles; 24 washers, $\frac{3}{4}$ inch; 3 snow shovels; 1 hay cutter; 1 maul; 4 wheelbarrows; 150 feet grading line; 6 half gal. oil cans; 1 one gal. oil can; 1 two gal. oil can; 2 oilers; 2 horse brushes; 2 curry combs; 2 cards; 2 dippers; 7 wrenches; 1 socket wrench; 2 monkey wrenches; 3 sledges; 2 nail hammers; 12 picks; 31 long-handle shovels; 3 spades; 3 scoops; 1 pair rubber boots; 1 two inch pet valve; 1 mallet; 2 tape lines; 1 small hose nozzle; 1 hose sprinkler; 9 halters; 8 blankets; 8 cirsingles; 4 bags; 1 wagon jack; 49 centres, for sewers; 4 iron and steel bars; 1 water faucett; 1 tack hammer; 3 tool boxes; [250 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ inch hose; 1 stone hammer; 1 pint linseed oil; 4 cold chisels; 5 lbs. rubber packing; 3 lbs. lace leather; 1 sett blocks and fall; 1 lb. red lead; 2 lbs. hemp packing; 3 chains; 1 coal seive; 1 grub hoe; 3 well ropes; 1 pair cross lines; 1 auger; 1 road maker; 1 hoe; 2 shovels; 2 tin basins; 1 small hatchet; 1 hydrant wrench; 1 scythe snath; 2 axe helves.

OFFICE FURNITURE.

1 stove and pipe; 1 table; 3 chairs; 1 coal hod; 1 copying press; 1 copying brush and basin; 2 ink stands; 1 sponge and

holder; 1 mucilage; 1 pocket ink stand; 2 ink stands; 3 pen holders; 1 drawing pen; $\frac{1}{2}$ gross pens; $\frac{1}{2}$ box paper fasteners; 1 folder; 2 rulers; 2 erasers; 1 sprinkler; 1 broom; 1 feather duster; 3 towels; 1 dust pan; 1 waste basket; $\frac{1}{3}$ bottle ink; 1 cash book; 1 pay roll book; 1 memo. book; 1 ledger; 1 copy book; 200 letter heads; 250 blank vouchers; 70 blank pay rolls; 100 envelopes; 1 quire bill paper.

Some question has been made as to the policy of this department owning the necessary horses and their outfit for doing the amount of team work there is for them to do. This seasons experience shows in favor of owning our own teams. The work they have done has cost this department over \$600 less than it would, had we hired teams at same rate as paid by railroad contractors in our vicinity—this is based upon the supposition that such teams as could be picked up when wanted, would do as much work as those we have. I am confident that the city teams will do fifty per cent more work than transient teams.

In making the estimate as above all expenses for shoeing, feed, repairs, &c. are all charged in the account. The teams are now at work bringing a revenue to the department instead of being an expense.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. BECKWITH, Supt.

Burlington, Dec. 31, 1875.

CASH ACCOUNT.

Dr.

1875.

April 12	To amount from G. D. Weller, Treasurer,	\$125 00
19	" "	100 00
26	" "	200 00
	" E. Martin, for bill, work in 1874,	7 77
May 3	" G. D. Weller, Treasurer,	300 00
10	" N. B. Flanagan, for timber,	60
	" G. D. Weller, Treasurer,	250 00
17	" "	200 00
24	" "	300 00
31	" "	450 00

June	7	To amount from H. Salls, for team work,	3 13
	7	" G. D. Weller, Treasurer,	500 00
	14	" "	300 00
	21	" "	450 00
	28	" "	400 00
July	5	" "	500 00
	8	" "	100 00
	12	" "	725 00
	16	" "	100 00
	19	" "	500 00
	21	" "	250 00
	26	" "	1000 00
	29	" G. L. Linsley, 20 p's 2 in. tile,	40
Aug.	2	" Howard Nat. Bank, bill work,	7 00
		" G. I. Hagar, "	3 75
		" Turk Bros. "	3 60
		" D. Murray, "	3 40
		" Mrs. Flagg, "	6 50
		" G. D. Weller, Treasurer,	400 00
	4	" V. P. Noyes, bill work,	29 98
		" C. L. Hart, "	15 68
	9	" G. D. Weller, Treasurer,	300 00
	14	" D. C. Linsley, for crushed stone,	144 57
	16	" E. W. Peck & Co, "	237 32
		" R. B. Stearns & Co., bill work,	10 36
		" Merchants Nat. Bank, "	3 86
		" G. D. Weller, Treasurer,	300 00
	23	" Misses Bradley, bill work,	1 50
		" G. D. Weller, Treas.,	400 00
	30	" "	400 00
Sept.	3	" A. Barrows, bill work,	2 45
		" Mrs. E. M. Platt, bill work,	4 50
	6	" G. D. Weller, Treas.,	300 00
	13	" "	300 00
	20	" "	250 00
	27	" "	250 00
	30	" W. W. Atwater, bill work,	1 50

Oct.	2	To amount from G. D. Weller, Treas.,	450 93
	4	"	600 00
	6	" D. Kern, bill work,	1 00
		" Adams School House, crushed stone,	19 57
		" N. Parker, bill work,	11 75
	11	" G. D. Weller, Treas.,	100 00
	18	"	150 00
	22	" L. L. Lane, crushed stone,	9 48
	27	" G. D. Weller, Treas.,	50 00
Nov.	3	"	200 00
	8	" Baptist Society, bill work,	30 50
	15	" H. H. Langdon "	1 00
	22	" S. L. Herrick, "	26 25
	23	" A. Atwater, "	1 40
	29	" Edw. Lyman, "	40 00
Dec.	6	" Jane W, Reed, "	3 38
		" Chas. Ripley, "	1 40
		" Wm. Howe, "	1 40
	7	" J. E. Brinsmaid, "	1 40
		" G. D. Weller, Treas.,	200 00
	8	" S. Huntington, bill work,	2 80
	17	" G. D. Weller, Treas.,	400 00
	18	" G. H. Kezar, for use of horses and carts,	217 50
		" J. Jenkins, bill,	8 80
	24	" G. D. Weller, Treas.,	100 00
	27	" T. E. Wales, bill work,	1 40
		" Mrs. Geo. Dorr, "	2 63
		" Wm. Zottman, "	1 40
		" G. W. Styles, "	1 40
		" G. L. Warner, "	1 40
	28	" Burl. Mfg. Co., "	4 00
		" Walker Bro's. & Co., bill work,	5 00
	29	" G. D. Weller, Treas.,	154 28
	30	"	532 24
	31	" G. H. Bigelow, bill work,	1 63
		" David Read, "	1 40

Dec. 31	To amount from G. D. Weller, Treas.,	52 70
	“ to balance to new account,	71 32

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CASH ACCOUNT.

1875.	By paid	Cr.
April 12	Pay Roll for week ending April 10th,	\$92 74
19	“ “ April 17th,	109 00
26	“ “ April 24th,	62 62
May 3	“ “ May 1st,	216 87
	Voucher No. 1, R. P. Sattley, bill oats,	35 00
	“ 2, Harrington & Kern, bill feed,	40 00
	“ 3, H. Roby & Bros.	75
	“ 4, A. Crosby,	5 47
	“ 5, M. D. L. Thompson,	2 50
	“ 6, A. G. Strong,	4 64
	“ 7, Henry Thompson, hay,	25 58
	“ 8, Shepard, Davis & Co.,	19 15
10	Pay Roll May 8th,	190 13
17	“ May 15th,	143 74
	“ 9, Wm. E. Whitney,	80
19	“ 10, F. J. Hendee, hay,	13 50
24	Pay Roll May 22d,	259 12
29	“ 11, R. Y. Maeck, hay,	9 72
31	Pay Roll May 29th,	387 38
June 2	“ 12, Ripley & Holton,	7 75
	“ 13, R. P. Sattley,	56 25
	“ 14, E. W. Peck & Co.,	4 00
3	“ 15, Bronson, Weston, Greene & Co.,	14 66
	“ 16, Shepard, Davis & Co.,	41 51
	“ 17, Wheelock & Griffin,	2 60
	“ 18, P. T. Sweet,	3 50
7	“ 19, A. G. Strong,	5 84
	“ 20, A. G. Pierce,	15 80
	“ 21, H. S. Lane,	5 50

June 7	Voucher No. 22,	H. J. E. Bailey,	17 58
		Pay Roll June 5th,	364 00
9	"	23, Harrington & Kern,	40 00
	"	24, Alex. Crosby,	45 54
14		Pay Roll June 12th,	248 12
21		" June 19th,	323 75
28		" June 26th,	386 50
	"	25, Ripley Sons, bill tile,	200 74
July 5		Pay Roll July 3d,	392 50
6	"	26, R. P. Sattley,	37 50
8	"	27, G. W. Beckwith,	7 91
12		Pay Roll July 10th,	403 12
16	"	28, Chas. Fisher,	150 00
18	"	29, J. McDonald,	9 00
19	"	30, R. S. Styles,	6 45
	"	31, H. S. Lane,	2 10
		Pay Roll July 17th,	417 25
21	"	32, A. R. & G. M. Duncan,	68 05
24	"	33, P. H. Catlin,	17 00
26		Pay Roll July 24th,	397 75
28	"	34, L. & Z. T. Austin,	60 55
	"	35, P. T. Sweet,	55 20
	"	36, A. G. Strong,	12 86
29	"	37, Brink & Co.,	57 64
	"	38, Shepard, Davis & Co.,	69 10
	"	39, G. L. Linsley,	9 10
	"	40, Pope & Watson,	2 25
	"	41, B. S. Nichols & Co.,	6 29
	"	42, B. S. Nichols & Co.,	33 36
30	"	43, Wilkins & Lyman,	28 05
31	"	44, A. H. Lewis,	14 28
Aug. 2	"	45, G. W. Beckwith, services,	319 44
	"	46, Alex. Crosby,	21 74
	"	47, Alex. Crosby,	31 83
	"	48, G. I. Hagar,	2 80
		Pay Roll July 31st,	376 62

Aug. 2	Voucher No. 49,	J. W. Hayes,	12 00
	"	50, J. A. Madden,	291 38
	"	51, Winooski Lumber Co.	240 03
3	"	52, R. P. Sattley,	37 50
	"	53, N. B. Flanagan,	15 00
	"	54, Thos. Crosby,	18 75
	"	55, Nash & Wardlow,	95
4	"	56, A. G. Pierce,	82 68
	"	57, E. A. Smith,	13 75
	"	58, W. A. Tyler,	1 15
	"	59, E. W. Peck & Co.	83 01
	"	60, C. P. Smith,	3 25
	"	61, M. D. L. Thompson,	50
5	"	62, A. Laduke,	20 00
	"	63, S. W. Payne,	12 63
	"	64, A. G. Strong,	7 28
14	"	65, J. W. Brown,	63 99
16	"	66, E. W. Peck & Co.,	72 00
		Pay Roll, Aug. 7th,	299 12
		" " 14th,	345 88
	"	67, Harrington & Kern,	120 62
23		Pay Roll, Aug. 21st,	855 27
27	"	68, H. S. Lane,	5 85
28	"	69, S. H. Russell,	1 50
	"	70, E. J. McCartie,	10 00
30		Pay Roll, 28th,	300 00
Sept. 2	"	71, Drew & Conger,	14 70
	"	72, Ripley Sons,	52 63
	"	73, "	44 42
6		Pay Roll, Sept. 4th,	219 88
8	"	74, R. P. Sattley,	76 55
	"	75, A. G. Strong,	9 79
13	"	Pay Roll, 11th,	192 75
14	"	76, Ripley & Holton,	5 15
	"	77, E. W. Peck & Co.,	5 25
	"	78, Van Sicklen, Walker & Co.,	8 84
	"	79, Wilkins & Lyman,	46 73

Sept.	2	Voucher No. 80,	Wilkins & Lyman,	42 10
		"	81, Shepard, Davis & Co.,	45 34
	16	"	82, W. H. Pollard,	2 00
	20	"	83, G. N. Willard,	42 43
			Pay Roll, 18th,	158 75
	27		" 25th,	206 75
Oct.	2	"	84, Ripley Sons,	450 93
		"	85, R. P. Sattley,	30 00
	4		Pay Roll, Oct. 2d,	141 62
		"	86, Harrington & Kern,	100 00
		"	87, Wm. Scott,	4 50
	6	"	88, F. J. Hendee,	31 60
	7	"	89, E. W. Peck & Co.,	14 00
		"	90, Wm. Howe,	3 50
		"	91, C. B. Gray,	2 50
		"	92, Walker Bros. & Co.,	154 62
		"	93, Alex Crosby,	82 87
	8	"	94, Shepard, Davis & Co.,	56 86
	9	"	95, G. H. Bostwick,	5 53
	11		Pay Roll, 9th,	115 00
	13		" 16th,	141 25
	25		" 23d,	56 75
Nov.	1		" 30th,	46 50
	3	"	96, R. P. Sattley,	19 25
		"	97, G. N. Willard,	35 18
	4	"	98, Thos. Crosby,	36 00
	6	"	99, A. McGaffey,	19 83
	8		Pay Roll, Nov. 6th,	32 00
		"	100, D. Cain,	4 50
		"	101, T. Crosby,	80 00
		"	102, H. Roby & Bros.,	9 70
		"	103, L. C. Dodge,	16 20
		"	104, D. Cain,	39 50
	15		Pay Roll, 13th,	23 25
	22		" 20th,	19 50
Dec.	6		" 27th and Dec. 4th,	31 00
	8	"	105, S. Huntington,	5 50

Dec. 8	Voucher No. 106,	A. G. Pierce,	7 00
	"	107, Harrington & Kern,	40 00
9	"	108, Van Sicklen, Walker & Co.,	50
	"	109, J. Lee,	4 50
	"	110, F. J. Hendee,	16 17
13	"	111, John Jenkins,	26 61
17	"	112, L. B. Howe,	78 50
18	"	113, Joel Putnam,	59 87
20	"	114, W. H. Pollard,	1 00
24	"	115, F. J. Hendee,	13 43
27	"	116, G. W. Beckwith,	17 10
	"	117, Walker Bros. & Co.,	4 50
29	"	118, D. L. Beckwith,	6 00
	"	119, G. D. Weller, Treas.,	154 28
	"	120, "	82 24
30	"	121, E. Walton,	10 66
	"	122, G. I. Hagar,	13 20
	"	123, Wheelock & Griffin,	14 06
	"	124, E. W. Peck & Co.,	17 50
	"	125, A. G. Strong,	1 49
	"	126, Alex Crosby,	22 57
	"	127, "	12 25
	"	128, F. M. Van Sicklen,	9 00
	"	129, Shepard, Davis & Co.,	86 41
	"	130, B. S. Nichols & Co.,	34 08
	"	131, Wilkins & Lyman,	50 00
	"	132, Harrington & Kern,	14 85
	"	133, Townsend & Hill,	9 75
	"	134, Burlington Gas Light Co.,	1 85
	"	135, Ripley Sons,	97 79
	"	136, "	12 24
31	"	137, G. H. Bostwick,	19 10
	"	138, H. Salls,	153 75
	"	139, Brink & Co.,	55 60
	"	140, C. B. Gray,	26 00
	"	141, L. Underwood,	12 00
	"	142, G. W. Beckwith, services,	416 66
	"	143, J. A. Madden,	438 03
		Pay Roll, 4 weeks ending 31st,	48 00

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DISTRIBUTION.

REPAIRS OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS.

CHARGABLE TO HIGHWAY TAX.

Adams Street,	\$ 7 13
Archibald,	110 12
Barrett,	42 00
Battery,	15 54
Bank,	67 25
Beech,	37 10
Chase,	39 75
Champlain,	57 38
Cherry,	8 38
Centre,	2 25
College,	670 01
Colchester Avenue,	139 70
Cliff Street,	15 13
Church,	165 86
Elm,	52 45
First,	164 64
Howard,	21 75
Interval,	46 00
King,	72 21
Locust,	43 62
Maple,	316 71
Main,	180 72
North Avenue,	109 28
North Street,	34 87
North Bend,	2 25
Patchen Road,	13 50
Pearl,	99 45
Proctor,	7 12
Pine,	214 72
Prospect,	92 52
Rose,	12 00
St. Paul,	790 11
Staniford Road,	10 50

Shelburn Road,	35 84
Spear Street,	14 34
Union,	473 65
Winooski Avenue,	104 05
" fill west of market,	127 13
Winooski Road,	30 00
Willard Street,	327 25
Winooski Bridge,	\$300 08
Less 1-5 charged Colchester,	60 02 240 06
Unclassified Repairs,	710 50
General expense account,	850 91
Office expenses,	55 98
Repairing Tools,	90 23
New Tools and Stock,	236 05
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	7,007 99

SEWERS.

College Street, Church to St. Paul,	\$ 583 69
" " to Ravine,	1,148 48
Winooski Avenue,	\$3,980 91
Less unpaid bills,	2,777 99 1,202 92
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	2,935 09

PARKS.

Battery Park,	\$ 40 57
City Hall Park,	\$1,329 04
" " Seats,	70 57 1,399 61
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	1,440 18

MISCELLANEOUS.

Grading Extension Willard Street,	\$618 82
Filling Pomeroy Pond (Church Street),	405 42
Public Buildings, labor and material,	172 63
Town of Colchester, 1-5 Bridge Repairs,	60 02
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	\$1,256 89

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Received from City Treasury,	\$12,640 15
Repairs of Streets and Highways,	\$7,007 99
Sewers,	2,935 09
Parks,	1,440 18
Miscellaneous,	1,256 89
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	\$12,640 15

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of Geo. W. Beckwith, Supt. of Streets, from April 5th, 1875, to Dec 31st, 1875, and find them correct.

M. MULQUEEN,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
N. PARKER,	
H. H. DOOLITTLE,	

Burlington, Jan. 7th, 1876.

REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

To the Honorable, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Burlington:

GENTLEMEN :—The Trustees of the Fletcher Free Library beg leave to make their Second Annual Report.

The substance of what they would lay before you is contained or incorporated in the Librarian's report, which they append to this. The thoroughness of it is of a piece with the Librarians's work in the Library, which they have found well laid out and faithfully done; and in presenting his report they would express their sense of his fidelity to his charge and of the value of his services. You will find in it the information which ought to appear in a report from the Trustees, concerning the condition, use and needs of the Library.

It gives gratifying show of a steady gain in the first two respects, and of course, gain in these means increase in the last. One sees with pleasure the crowd of borrowers who, on some afternoons, fill the library-room full, on some occasions over-full. It is with less pleasure that he notes the many inconveniences the public are put to, in order to get their books at such times. When the catalogue is done, so that every borrower may have it to consult at home, this present waste of time and worry of patience will be somewhat done away, with the uncomfortable crowd and push, and inevitable racket and disorder of a place too small for its guests. But the need set forth by the Librarian, of a capable and trusty assist-

ant, is plain enough, and is imperative. It is a necessity that forces itself, every day now, upon those who frequent the Library, and must, before long, become a popular demand. His other suggestions as to the safe placing of pamphlets, papers and all sorts of documents, and in respect to a proper dressing-room, are such as the Trustees would themselves make.

The Catalogue is nearly ready for the press. When it is fairly printed, and in the people's hands, it will tell its own story, and show itself to be less a convenience than a necessity. The Trustees desire to express their sense of the scrupulous fidelity of the Cataloguer to her work, and their sympathy with the conscientious painstaking, to the last point, which she shows, in order that the Catalogue may rank with the best of its kind. It is only by such punctilious care that it will be made worthy of the Library, and prove the full advantage which it ought to be to those who shall make use of it.

The City Council and the people of this city are to be congratulated on the growth of the Library and the enlarging of its use. The hopes held of the benefits it would confer, it is answering more than could have been guessed of it, a year ago. It will fail of what has been the experience of every public library, in these days of the frequent founding and increasing use of them, if it does not still grow in what will make it an advantage and an honor to our city.

And its generous founders are to be heartily congratulated upon the point it has reached, in so short a time, of public benefit, and in good opinion of the citizens. If it may be in place here, the Trustees wish severally to thank them for their kindness and rare forethought of the good of this community. But they are well aware that, in this, they speak less on their own account than for all.

The increase of the Library by donations is significant. It means that it is commanding the confidence, as it is winning the interest and regard of our citizens. It is but falling thus quickly into line of what happens to every such institution, that it shall surely grow in the care and pride of the community

where it is placed. Ten years hence, it will be interesting to see how many books of rarity and worth will have found their way from private shelves to the care of our Public Library. A collection is bound to grow ; but a library, faster and fuller than any other.

The Trustees wish to thank the City Council for all they have done for the Library, in their general action and through their special committee, and to commend it to their careful watch and generous favor, for the public good.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. H. BLODGETT,	} Trustees.
M. H. BUCKHAM,	
E. J. PHELPS,	
S. HUNTINGTON,	
L. G. WARE, Secretary.	

LIBRARIANS REPORT.

BURLINGTON, VT., Jan. 10, 1876.

To the Trustees of the Fletcher Free Library :

GENTLEMEN :—I herewith respectfully present my first Report.

This Report is in nowise an Annual Report, but is simply a statement of the condition and statistics of the Library from its founding ; and having no predecessor with which to compare it, will not give the satisfaction which might be expected from it, nor furnish any means of showing the comparative utility and growth of the institution it represents.

The Fletcher Library was founded on the 14th day of July, 1873. The first invoice of books was received on the 31st of May, 1874. On the 6th of July, 1875, three alcoves (two of Fiction and one of Travels,) were opened to the public. The interval between the last two dates, was one of continuous activity in purchasing, collating, labelling, stamping, and the minor details of library work. To the alcoves already opened, have been added, as fast as catalogued, the alcoves of American History, English History, Biography, Natural Science,

Poetry and the Fine Arts, Language and Literature, Periodicals and Miscellaneous Literature, and Essays. Meanwhile, the whole Library has been open for consultation. There remain to be catalogued, American Collected Works and Essays ; French and German Literature ; Public Documents and Reference Periodicals ; Books on Agriculture, Law, Political Science, Education, Theology and Medicine, and the Reference Library.

CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

The Catalogue of Accessions shows at present 8721 volumes. There are besides, 190-duplicate volumes. Four volumes have been withdrawn from circulation, and three have been lost, which leaves belonging to the Library, Jan. 10, 1876, 8904 volumes. These figures do not include pamphlets, nor unbound periodicals, of which there are several hundred.

THE CIRCULATION.

The Library has been opened 131 days. During that period 15,538 volumes have been taken out for "home use," and 418 have been consulted, giving a daily average of more than 120 volumes. The largest daily issue was 278 volumes • the largest weekly issue, 1065. The fines for retaining books beyond the time allowed, have amounted to \$49.50.

The total number of borrower's cards given out up to date, is 1860. Of these, 40 have been cancelled, leaving in use, 1820. As only one card is allowed to each person, this number represents 1820 borrowers. To consult books does not require a card. Any person, by simply filling a slip prepared for that purpose, can be provided with any reasonable number of volumes.

The books lost have been promptly paid for, so that the Library has suffered no pecuniary loss.

The demand upon the resources of the Library has been very unusual, while the future promises a still greater increase in that direction. The day is past, when one could say that the novelty of the institution was its most substantial

attraction. The libraries are few in number, that can show a circulation, in less than six months, equal to two hundred per cent. of the number of volumes they possess. And even at this early day, while the call for popular books is so great, there is a gratifying indication that the class of reading in this Library will be far above the average.

THE WORK.

Since the 1st day of June, 1874, nearly 9,000 volumes have been received, labelled, entered, numbered, stamped and located *; more than 5,000 have been collated †; 4,000 have been covered; 1,200 have been *re-covered*, a fact which should carry a rebuke to careless and negligent users. During the changes which have been made in the library-room, the entire collection has been moved several times. To the labor of fitting the Library for the use of the public, and the details of circulation, has been added the care of the rooms and building, and their maintenance in respectable condition.

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY.

Gifts to the Library have been both numerous and valuable. Three fine photographs, one engraving, 372 volumes, besides many pamphlets and numbers, have been very generously contributed. A list of donors will be found at the end of this Report. It should generally be known that any book, magazine, pamphlet, or almost any paper or periodical, whether it be of value or not, to the possessor, will be gratefully received by the Library.

THE CATALOGUE.

The Catalogue, which is now rapidly approaching completion, is not, as many suppose, a needless luxury, but is an indispensable adjunct to the full working capacity of the

* To locate a book, is to place it in the library, according to its subject, or the manner in which its subject is treated. It is oftentimes a matter of vexing doubt, whether a book belongs to one department or another, and requires a wide experience, satisfactorily to determine its position.

† Collation is an examination of a book, from the title page to the "end," to discover if the pages are in their position; to find if it has the required number of plates, illustrations, and maps; to note any glaring typographical error; and in general, to observe any noticeable imperfections.

Library. The time and patient labor spent upon its elaboration, are all on the side of true economy. When finished, it will be a hand-book for the use and convenience of the patrons of the Library. It will not only contain a vast amount of time-saving information, but will be in a great measure an index to the Library.

REMARKS AND SUGGESTIONS.

The general wants of the Library are reasonably supplied. The *special* needs are, however, worthy of notice, and to a few of these I beg leave to call your attention. The first is, a capable, trusty assistant. During the first few weeks the Library was opened, I found that by the aid of an active boy, I was able to do the work of lending books, and to keep the rooms in living order. As the number of borrowers increased, another boy was engaged, and finally another, until there are now three boys employed, one of whom is always present, and the others when they are most needed. These boys, after a few weeks' training, answer very well for assistants in the circulating department, but to aid in general library work, they are of very little value, for as the librarian must have a clear understanding of his duties, and must be a living catalogue of his books, so his assistant must be either a person of experience in the work, or must possess tact enough to acquire that experience. The Library needs, at least, *one* competent assistant, who can take the place of the librarian during his absence. Should it become necessary to keep the Library open more hours daily, such an assistant would become an absolute necessity. And besides, the help now employed is of a kind not likely to be permanent, and leaves no alternative, but constantly to be employing and training inexperienced persons.

Another want which is seriously felt is that of a room for the stowing of Public Documents, Duplicates and Pamphlets. The completion of the sets of Government Reports, which are now imperfect, will more than fill the space reserved for

them. There are several hundred numbers and pamphlets in the loft, and in the coal room, which are in constant danger of being destroyed or damaged for want of a suitable place to store them. It is of no use to receive, much less to solicit, files of papers or other matter of local or general interest, while there is no place in which they may be preserved.

There is also a great need of some additional facilities for consulting books, either by the use of a room devoted to that purpose, or by enclosure in the delivery-room. Under the present arrangement, a person seldom draws a half dozen books for reference, without being annoyed by the appropriation of one or more of them by some person who is curious to see what they are. A cheap remedy for this nuisance, would be a railing on one side of the library-room, inclosing a space for the use of those who wish to consult the Library. This would also remedy another annoyance. There are certain people, who, after calling for rare or costly books, leave the building without giving notice at the desk, thereby exposing those volumes to the curiosity of young people and the careless, and rendering them liable to serious damage.

I might also call your attention to the need there is of a dressing-room, a want which is as essential to health as it is to convenience.

Respectfully,

THOMAS P. W. ROGERS,

Librarian.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS TO THE LIBRARY

From its founding to January 10, 1876.

	B'd vol's.	Unb'd.	Nos.
C. J. Alger,	3		
C. E. Allen,	3		
Willie Amblow,	1		
American Unitarian Association,	35		
Miss H. H. Ames,	2	2	
C. F. Ballou,	1		
Hon. G. G. Benedict,	3		

Brookline Public Library,	2	5	
L. H. Bugbee,		1	
W. A. Chapman,	4		
Concord Public Library,	1	3	
Mrs. A. B. Curtis,	1		
G. M. Dodge,		2	
Hon. G. F. Edmunds,	49	1	
Miss A. D. Field,	1	1	
Free Press Association,	1	1	
J. E. Goodrich,	5	3	
E. E. Greenleaf,	7		250
Dr. A. P. Grinnell,	1		
Hon. Charles Hale, Boston,	16	2	
Dr. Wm. Hickok, Gov't. Reports,	73		
Samuel Huntington,	9	6	40
Huntington & Co.	7		
Hiram A. Huse, State Librarian,	4		
Miss Maria Loomis,	33		
G. H. Morse,	2		
New Bedford Public Library,	2	8	
New York Observer, year's subscription,		1	
Noyes, Holmes & Co.	1		
Hon. E. J. Phelps,	4		
Hon. David Read,	7	15	60
Miss E. Rice,	10	2	
T. P. W. Rogers,	13	14	
W. H. Root,	2		
Sabin & Sons,	2		
B. B. Smalley, 4 photographs,			
E. Smith,	1		
J. B. Smith,		3	
Mrs. I. F. Stetson,	27		
Do Engraving of Washington,			
Smith & Pease,		13	
Swedenborg Printing and Pub. Society,	19		
E. W. Taft,	9	155	
Do N. Y. Weekly Tribune, 10 years.			
R. S. Taft,		1	
Dr. C. P. Thayer,	1		
University of Vermont,	6		
State of Vermont,	3		
F. W. Van Sicklen, specimen of marble.			
L. G. Ware,	57	5	
G. D. Weller,		3	
C. K. Whitney,		1	
G. W. Whitney,		1	
Mrs. G. W. Whitney,	1	1	
Dr. S. Worcester,		1	

REPORT
OF
HEALTH OFFICER.

BURLINGTON, VT., April 25th, 1875.

To the City Council:

I have the honor to present the following report of my official labors as health officer, for a period commencing January 1st, 1875 and ending April 25, 1875.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES,—SMALL POX.

From September 30th, 1874, to the present time, the city has not been entirely free from Small Pox, or some of its modified forms.

The epidemic was under control a number of times, but the ingress of patients from Montreal while in the eruptive stage, has, on four occasions, been the nucleus of another siege. The scarcity of work during the winter has induced the laboring classes to migrate from place to place seeking employment, and the larger proportion of those coming from Montreal, have carried the virus of contagion with them.

The difficulty attending the management of an epidemic of Small Pox, can only be appreciated by experience. It has been necessary for the health officer to perform the part of physician, nurse, police and undertaker; to establish sanitary regulations; supply food and clothing, and disinfect apartments occupied by Small Pox patients. Persons have forcibly entered the *pest house* with the avowed purpose of spreading the disease among a class who were out of the pale of contact. The city has been at the mercy of a

large number of vagrants, who contracted the disease that a pecuniary support might be secured.

The inefficiency of the police force and their refusal to make arrests, has afforded latitude of liberty to persons coming in contact with the disease, which we found impossible to overcome or control. It would seem quite as necessary that a *pest house jail* be constructed as a pest house, or a suitable place be secured where persons desirous of spreading the disease, could be confined.

The resident foreign population regard the disease of minor importance and they are certainly not in sympathy with the fears of others. Many refused to be vaccinated and were zealous in their efforts to scatter the infective virus.

The following is a summary of the epidemic, including those cases occurring before the first of January.

Total number of cases,	92
“ “ deaths,	28

The disease occurring under its different forms can be classified as follows, viz :

Variola Confluens,	23
Variola Discreet,	39
Varioloid,	30

Twenty three cases have occurred since the city was thoroughly vaccinated, but these have mostly been of the modified form known as varioloid.

There are at present writing two cases within the city limits and none at the pest house.

HOSPITALS.

A city which has assumed the proportion of this, should possess better and more complete hospital advantages. This is a want which has long been felt and with the development of the city, the necessity for such improvements increases.

The poor, when prostrated with sickness or injuries, require that care and attention which is found impossible to obtain at their homes. Strangers, also, when similarly affected are compelled to

seek refuge in the Poor House or be tolerated by private families whose apartments are seldom suited to the requirements of a hospital ward.

The situation, arrangement and construction of the Poor House unfit it quite for the purpose of an Hospital, hence it would seem essential that measures be taken to further the interest of an undertaking which should establish for the city, a convenient accessible place, where the sick could receive proper medical care and humane treatment. I am assured that the medical profession will offer their services to an institution of this character, gratuitously. I would respectfully call your attention to the premises situated on North Avenue, known as the Appleton Place, inasmuch as it appears to possess an advantage over other localities, in point of convenience and price.

It is believed that a large portion of the population are in sympathy with an improvement of this kind, and the expense attending the necessary repairs upon the Appleton Place or the construction of a building in any other locality of the city for the purpose of an Hospital, will meet the approval of every one.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. GRINNELL, M. D.,

Health Officer.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of Burlington, Vt.

I have the honor to submit my report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1875. Upon my assuming the duties of the office there were two cases of Small Pox within the city limits, and soon afterwards six additional cases occurred, all of which recovered. Since then, there has been no case of this disease in the city, and it is expected from the thoroughness of the vaccination and the precautions taken about disinfection last spring, that there will be but few, if any cases of Small Pox during the present winter. I would suggest the passage of stringent ordinances providing for compulsory vacci-

nation, and the distribution among the lower classes of printed circulars containing the ordinances relative to the public health, and other information relative to disinfection and other sanitary topics. The city has now a large and commodious Small Pox Hospital, in which patients can be made comfortable, and surrounded by means necessary for recovery. I have had no trouble during the year in disposing of complaints against swine, their owners in every instance removing them upon my request. The subject of the proper disposal of garbage, however has excited a good deal of my attention, as many of our inhabitants, being laboring men, do not have the time or means to remove the filth that constantly accumulates about their premises. I am convinced that, could a system of free removal of filth and garbage be devised, it would contribute materially to the health of the city.

In regard to the water supply, I would respectfully and earnestly call your attention to the necessity of securing a purer quality, and thereby preventing the possible occurrence of serious epidemic diseases. The facility with which water absorbs impurities makes it the great source of disease, especially in country cities and villages where it is so universally exposed to contact with animal and vegetable decomposition. The health of a city depends largely upon the quality of water furnished its inhabitants, and I feel assured, in common with the rest of my professional brethren, that were the water taken from a further distance from the shore than it now is, or even properly filtered at its present location, our city might become noted as a place of healthful resort. During the year I had occasion to communicate to your honorable body a recommendation that a system of registration of births and deaths be adopted, that would secure greater accuracy in returns, and make statistics of more practical value. Since making that suggestion I have received requests from health officers of cities throughout the Country, for statistics of Births and Deaths, and I have therefore appended to this report tables of the vital statistics for the years 1874 and 1875 to which I invite your attention. All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. P. THAYER, M. D.

Health officer.

TABLE SHOWING SEX AND NATIVITY OF BIRTHS,
MARRIAGES AND DEATHS FOR THE YEAR 1874.

	MALE	FEMALE	UNKNOWN	TOTAL	AMERICAN	FOREIGN	UNKNOWN
Births,	135	164		299	139	160	
Marriages,				104	135	71	2
Deaths,	72	78	2	152	124	22	6

DEATHS :

AGES.	UNDER 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	OVER 80	UNKNOWN	MALES	FEMALES	UNKNOWN	TOTAL
Males,	38	8	4		2	2	3	3	7	3	2		72			
Females,	43	11	3	2	2	5	4		4	3	1			78		
Unknown,	2														2	
Total,	83	19	7	2	4	7	7	3	11	6	3					152

TABLE SHOWING SEX AND NATIVITY OF BIRTHS,
MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS FOR THE YEAR 1875.

	MALE	FEMALES	UNKNOWN	TOTAL	AMERICAN	FOREIGN	UNKNOWN
Births,	166	145		311	162	145	4
Marriages,				106	148	57	7
Deaths,	82	61	1	144	119	23	2

TABLE SHOWING SEX AND AGES OF DEATHS 1875.

AGES.	UNDER 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	OVER 80	UNKNOWN	MALES	FEMALES	UNKNOWN	TOTAL
Males,	47	4	2	3	8	3	2	1	3	3	6		82			
Females,	23	2	2	2	12	7	1	4	2	3	2	1		61		
Unknown,	1														1	
Total,	71	6	4	5	20	10	3	5	5	6	8	1				144

REPORT

OF THE

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington:

Your Cemetery Commissioners respectfully report their cash receipts from January 1st, 1875, to December 31st, 1875, inclusive to wit :

January 1st, 1875.

Cash from last year's account,	\$393 49
Collected upon old accounts, 1873 and 1874,	\$23 00
Miscellaneous credits,	8 74
	<hr/> \$31 74
Labor and repairs on Locust Street Cemetery,	\$ 25 00
Opening and filling graves, Lake View "	154 70
Cutting grass on burial lots, " "	200 50
Fitting up burial lots, " "	328 90
	<hr/> \$709 10
Fees for use of City Vault,	\$ 76 00
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	\$1,210 33
Proceeds of sales, burial lots, in 1875,	1,440 91
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	\$2,651 24

EXPENDITURES.

Pay Rolls, as per time book, to wit:

Dan Lyon, Commissioner,	\$165 00
Eli Poquette, sexton at \$400 per year,	391 60
Other labor,	540 27
	—————\$1,396 87

For erection of two fountains, including mason
work, stone, plumbing, &c.,

	\$276 70
On new gateway, material, labor and painting,	35 50
Incidentals,	128 87
	—————\$441 07

Repairs,	\$ 58 74
Feed and Straw,	85 44
Shoeing and smith work,	21 36
City Water Works tax,	300 00
Manure,	25 25
Refunded vault fees,	3 00
	—————\$493 79

\$2,331 73

Cash in hands Cemetery Commissioners,	319 51
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\$2,651 24

DAN LYON,	}	Cemetery Commissioners.
GEO. FRANCIS,		
JOEL H. HOLTON,		

Burlington, Dec. 31, 1875.

We have examined the above together with the detailed statement and vouchers submitted, and find the same correct as stated.

N. PARKER,	}	Auditors.
M. MULQUEEN,		
H. H. DOOLITTLE,		

Burlington, Jan. 12th, 1876.

LOCUST STREET CEMETERY.

1875.

Sept. 18, Received on Mayor's warrant,	\$25 00
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EXPENDED.

In cleaning out the paths and driveways, and repairs
to fence, as follows :

Sept. 9, Labor and team work,	\$16 00
Oct. 23, For lumber and nails to repair fence, with other labor,	9 00
	<hr/> \$25 00

DAN LYON,	}	Cemetery Commissioners.
GEO. FRANCIS,		
JOEL H. HOLTON,		

December 31st, 1875.

RECORD OF THE AGGREGATE SALES OF BURIAL LOTS IN LAKE VIEW
CEMETERY TO DECEMBER 31st, 1875.

Whole number lots sold prior to Jan. 1st, 1875, 242—	
cash receipts,	\$11,499 35
Sales of lots the past year, 35—cash receipts,	1,440 91
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Total number lots sold, 277—cash receipts,	\$12,940 26

INTERMENT RECORD.

Original interments to Jan. 1st, 1875,	262
Interments the past year,	50
	<hr/> —312
Removals to Lake View to Jan. 1st, 1875,	150
“ the past year,	29
	<hr/> —179
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Total number of interments in Lake View Cemetery,	491

The Commissioners take pleasure in calling the attention of our citizens to the substantial and elegant gates which have been erected at the entrance to the Lake View Cemetery. Two heavy columns of masonry, in the gothic order of architecture—standing twelve feet apart, nearly twelve feet in height, and of the gray Isle la Motte stone, form the solid supports to two iron gates—the work of Edwards, Stevens & Co., of Winooski Falls—of a design and finish appropriate to the place. The whole work has been done under the superintendence of Messrs. Walker Bros. & Co., whose taste and thoroughness in such matters is well known. The cost of this very handsome and appropriate addition to the cemetery, has been eight hundred and fifty dollars, paid for and presented to the city by our esteemed citizen John P. Howard, Esq., to whom we are already indebted for many other evidences of his thoughtful generosity.

Your Commissioners take this occasion to tender to Mr. Howard, in behalf of our citizens, their thanks for his liberal gift.

DAN LYON,	}	Cemetery Commissioners.
GEO. FRANCIS,		
JOEL H. HOLTON,		

Jan. 12, 1876.

REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEER OF THE POOR,

To the Mayor and Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN :—I trust I may be pardoned in saying a few words at this time, before this Hon. Board of Aldermen, and if there is nothing novel or sensible in my remarks, I hope you will give me credit of believing they are true.

I flattered myself, when I accepted the office of Overseer of the Poor, five years ago last spring, that the destitute persons with whom I should come in contact, would have some sense of gratitude to the city, for the care and attention bestowed upon them. But I must say, I was sadly mistaken. Instead of feeling a due sense of gratitude for the public bounty, and conducting themselves becomingly, many of those who receive assistance from the city, are the most insolent and exacting people among us. They demand aid of the overseer with the audacity of a highwayman, and dictate with the authority of a Lord of the Manor, no matter how drunken, idle and undeserving they may be. Our sympathies are naturally aroused at the sight and story of poverty and distress, and this is well; but it is also well before we afford relief to satisfy ourselves that our benefactions will mitigate suffering, rather than encourage idleness, drunkenness and improvidence. The principle which should govern us as individuals in the bestowal of private charities, ought also to govern those who make and administer our poor-laws.

Just here, it may be said that the time has come when our laws relating to vagrancy and pauperism need a thorough over-

hauling. The tramp has come to be a nuisance and a terror, against which the best combined and most vigorous efforts of the authorities are unable to relieve, under our present law. Then, there is a class, who pass the entire summer loafing in our midst, spending any money they casually get, for whiskey, and deliberately looking forward to assistance from the City when winter comes. This they invariably apply for on the arrival of cold weather, and with wives and children cold and hungry, demand relief as a matter of right. It seems to me, more stringent laws and regulations are needed to meet the cases of vagabonds and loafers, and to deal with them in such a way, as to allow honest poverty and hard misfortune a fair chance to win aid and sympathy from the authorities, and from benevolent citizens.

It would be well for our legislators to examine some of the early laws of Vermont in regard to petty larceny, vagrancy, pauperism, and drunkenness. They would there find some useful hints as to the legislation appropriate to these times.

In times of general prosperity and industry, the rigor of our laws has been in some respects unduly relaxed. Let us not congratulate ourselves, because we have abolished the whipping post, and ridicule Delaware for retaining it; but let legislators re-establish it, or else devise some other means equally efficient to drive these pests of society, from our midst, or convert them into industrious citizens. The old moral: "If kind words and gentle means will not reclaim the wicked, they must be dealt with in a more severe manner," is true to-day, and ought to govern our conduct towards those who abuse our charity, insult our sympathy, and laugh at our utter helplessness to punish them without imposing additional burdens upon ourselves. Whatever can be done under our present laws to lessen the evils above referred to, ought certainly to be done. Much would be gained, if the city were able to set at work, in some remunerative employment, those who apply for assistance and are able bodied.

A consideration of the fuel question suggests one way of enabling the city to do so. In 1870, the expense for wood for the city was \$330.98; last year, the expense for wood was \$718.75 (besides delivery), and for coal, \$209.50, making a total of \$928.25, or \$597.27 more than 1870.

This wood expense has been growing upon us over since the supply of shavings ceased. Formerly, the poor depended almost wholly upon shavings. Now they call upon the City and demand fuel as a matter of right, because they or their friends have paid taxes. Most of them make no provision for fuel in the summer, knowing that when cold weather comes, the overseer will find them suffering with cold and must furnish them with wood or coal. If the City, or perhaps the County, were to establish a work house near a quarry or peat bed, the peat could without doubt be profitably utilized by preparing it for fuel. The alternative could be offered the idle and improvident, of going to work to help themselves, or suffering the consequences of their shiftlessness.

If the authorities of the City will order the Overseer to put furniture into our new small pox hospital another fall, so that we can dispose of a mongrel race having no character or national history, no family pride or shame, no integrity or ambition but to deceive, and whose natural proclivities are dishonesty and vagrancy, and would forbid him from furnishing fuel and provisions to any but the sick and aged, these people would then begin to understand that they must take care of themselves, or look out for quarters elsewhere.

A. B. LOWRY, Overseer.

I herewith submit the transactions of the Poor Department from January 1st, 1875, to January 1, 1876:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1875,	141 05
Cash for Produce and other sources,	165 97
Cash from City Treasurer,	7,604 56
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	\$7,911 58

DISBURSEMENTS.

Outside poor, 160 families, Wood, Coal and Provisions,	2,876 93
29 Transient persons,	203 80

Food for tramps,	28 60
City Physician,	200 00
Coal for Poor House,	180 15
L. P. Fuller, services at Poor House,	400 00
Overseer's salary to Oct. 25.	450 00
Insurance on Poor House buildings,	18 18
Poor House expenses and small pox hospital,	3.451 93
Cash on hand,	101 89

\$7,911 58

Wood on hand Jan. 1st, 1876, \$460

A. B. LOWRY, Overseer.

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Overseer of the Poor, from Jan. 1st, 1875 to Jan. 1st, 1876, and find them correct as stated above.

N. PARKER,	} Auditors.
M. MULQUEEN,	
H. H. DOOLITTLE.	

Burlington, Jan. 1st, 1876.

PRODUCE RAISED ON POOR FARM, 1875.

16 tons hay, 225 bushels oats, 130 bushels ear corn, 40 bushels rye, 5 tons straw, 2 tons corn-stalks, 300 bushels potatoes, 15 bushels carrots, 14 bushels beets, 8 barrels apples, 3 barrels cider, 2 bushels beans, 750 lbs. beef, 900 lbs. pork, 5 veal calves.

PRODUCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1876.

12 tons hay, 175 bushels oats, 4 bushels, carrots, 1 1-2 bushels beans; 2 1-2 tons straw, 30 bushels ear corn, 8 bushels shelled corn, 6 bushels beets, 1-2 ton corn stalks, 175 bushels potatoes, 4 barrels apples, 25 lbs coffee, 1-2 barrel sugar, 10 lbs. saleratus, 1-2 barrel salt, 25 gallons vinegar, 75 gallons soft soap, 40 lbs lard, 12 dozen candles, 200 lbs. corned beef, 500 lbs. salt pork, 1-2 barrel flour, 18 tons coal, 25 lbs, hard soap.

STOCK ON FARM JANUARY 1, 1876.

4 cows, 2 yearling heifers, 4 store hogs, 20 hens, 2 horses, 1 two year old heifer.

INVENTORY OF FURNITURE IN POOR HOUSE AND TOOLS ON FARM,
JANUARY 1, 1876.

27 bed racks, 65 blankets, 30 chairs, 15 stools, 9 tables, 26 pillows, 8 feather beds, 56 sheets, 56 pillow slips, 2 lamps, 27 straw ticks, 4 candle-sticks, 1 lantern, 2 tea pots, 3 wash tubs, 2 coal hods, 1 clock, 1 churn, 4 smoothing irons, 3 kettles, 2 frying pans, 2 tea kettles, 1 dripping pan, 3 mop sticks, 5 pails, 1 milk strainer, 1 cream pail, 1 sieve, 15 tin plates, 20 table spoons, 27 knives and forks, 27 plates, 25 cups and saucers, 2 tunnels, 20 bowls, 1 bell, 1 tin boiler, 1 coffee pot, 6 tin cups, 2 chopping-knives, 2 dust pans, 6 stone jars, 5 pepper boxes, 1 pair shears, 3 dish pans, 40 milk pans, 1 quart cup, 23 chambers, 1 bed pan, 1 oil can, 7 cloth curtains, 3 paper curtains, 2 table oil cloths, 4 towels, 6 stoves, 2 wash boilers, 1 cross-cut saw, 1 hand-saw, 1 bit stock, 1 bit, 1 auger, 1 square, 1 grain cradle, 2 chains, 1 business wagon, 1 lumber wagon, 1 set sleds, 2 scythes and snaths, 1 hay knife, 4 hay rakes, 1 horse rake, 1 straw cutter, 1 fanning mill, 1 wheel-barrow, 4 hay forks, 2 iron bars, 1 set double harness, 1 single harness, 2 set whiffletrees, 1 neck yoke, 1 plow, 1 harrow, 1 pair ice tongs, 2 bushel baskets, 1 clothes basket, 1 half-bushel, 1 four-quart and 1 two-quart measure, 2 small baskets, 5 hoes, 1 grindstone, 1 mower, 2 flails, 1 wrench, 1 hammer, 1 grub hoe, 3 jugs, 1 cultivator, 2 manure forks, 1 wood saw, 2 corn cutters, 1 scoop shovel, 1 single sleigh, 1 fishing boat, 1 portable oven, 3 wash basins, 1 wringer, 3 ladders, 1 snow shovel.

The following persons were inmates of the Poor House, January 1st, 1875.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	DIFFICULTY.	TIME AT POOR HOUSE.	WHEN LEFT.
John Trudo.....	91	Canada,	Destitute,	15 years,	
Thomas Brassel.....	60	Ireland,	Partly Insane,	8 "	
Margaret Brassel.....	65	"	Heart Disease.	8 "	
John Murphy.....	55	"	Premature old age,	7 "	
Alexander Bulla.....	82	Canada,	Cripple,	5 "	
Peter Donnelly.....	52	Ireland,	Blind,	5½ "	
Jack King.....	76	Burlington,	Infirm,	4 "	
Geo. Rutherford.....	58	England,	Lame foot,	1 year 8 months,	
Ann McGowen.....	23	Burlington,	Cripple,	1 " 6 "	Died July 21, 1875.
Alice McGowen.....	67	Ireland,	Destitute,	1 " 6 "	
Ann Martin.....	75	"	"	1 " 6 "	
Rosalind Ploof.....	50	Canada,	Partly Insane,	1 " 1 "	
Jane Blinn.....	37	Georgia, Vt.,	Partly Insane,	8 months,	
Catherine Wall.....	56	Ireland,	Feeble,	6 "	Died March 1, 1875.
Mary Franklin.....	23	N. Y.,	Vagrant,	5 "	March 23, 1875.
Daniel Davis.....	62	Ireland,	Sick,	4 "	Died June 18, 1875.
Maranda Hapgood.....	40	Burlington,	Blind,	2 "	
James House.....	73	England,	Destitute,	1 "	April 4, 1875.
*Hermab Lachance.....	75	Canada,	Vagrant,	1 "	January 25, 1875.
*Albert Richard.....	27	"	Vagrant, sick,	10 days,	" 4, "
*Wm. Roberts.....	34	N. Y.,	"	10 "	" 20, "
John Gilman.....	40	Canada,	Loafer,	1 "	May 24, 1875.
*Clara Flanders.....	19	N. Y.,	Vagrant,	1 "	" 6, "

*Trustest.

The following Persons have been admitted to the Poor House from Jan. 1, 1875 to Jan. 1, 1876.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	CAUSE OF ADMISSION.	WHEN ADMITTED.	WHEN LEFT.
Philip Sullivan.....	84	Ireland,	Infirm,	January 7th,	February 5th.
Morris Flanagan.....	59	"	Lame.	" 11th,	April 18th.
Wm. Sexton.....	66	"	Sore eyes.	" 19th,	February 9th.
*Frank Leroux.....	22	Canada, Mass.	Tramp, sick,	" 24th,	" 3d.
*Bell Roberts.....	17	Lowell, Mass.	Vagrant,	February 1st,	" 16th.
*Wm. Stone.....	30	England,	Tramp, lame,	" 4th,	March 30th.
*Ellen Bigelow.....	34	Ferrisburgh,	Vagrant,	" 11th,	Died March 22d.
William Rowe.....	11	Burlington,	Consumption,	" 19th,	March 15th.
*Daniel Maloney.....	31	Ireland,	Blind Tramp,	March 13th,	
Robert McGraw.....	51	"	Infirm,	" 23d,	
*John Smith.....	29	England,	Tramp, lame,	" 26th,	April 5th.
*Joseph Morey.....	27	Rhode Island,	" abscess,	April 23d,	May 5th.
*Hugh Rodney.....	28	Boston,	" sore foot.	June 12th,	June 20th.
*James Ingalls.....	45	Scotland,	Infirm, bowels,	July 19th,	Died July 24th.
*Geo. Hawkins.....	30	England,	Tramp,	August 19th,	August 23d.
*Frank McCaffey.....	35	Ireland,	Injured by cars,	" 31st,	September 14th.
Louis Brothers.....	45	Canada.	Felon,	September 18th,	October 1st.
Michael Ryan.....	68	Ireland,	Rheumatism,	" 20th,	Died Sept. 28th.
Mary Franklin.....	22	New York,	Vagrant,	" 20th,	
Isabella Cox.....	55	Ire. and,	Sick,	November 1st,	December 27th.
*H. Reynolds.....	30	England,	Tramp,	" 13th,	November 15th.
Olive Robar.....	70	Canada,	Destitute,	December 7th,	
James House.....	74	England,	"	" 9th,	
*Thomas Smith.....	21	Ireland,	Sore eye,	" 27th,	

*Transient

Account of Insane Asylum against the City, August 1st, 1875.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	TIME IN ASYLUM.	EXP. FOR THE YEAR.	REMARKS.
Oliver S. Blinn,	28	Burlington,	11 years 11 months,	\$156 00	
Bridget Fowler,	55	Ireland,	4 " 9 "	14 15	Died Sept. 2, 1875.
"				13 00	Expense of burial.
Caroline Barree,	44	Canada,	4 " 5 "	156 00	
Francelia Metcalf,	40	Washington, Vt,	2 " 4 "	156 00	
Mary Sullivan,	70	Ireland,	1 " 7 "	77 58	Rem'd Jan. 29, '75.
Alice Quinn,	57	"	2 " "	156 00	
Ellen Kean,	42	"	1 " 7 "	156 00	
Johanna McInerney,	53	"	6 " "	78 00	
Henry Fairlee,	32	Canada,	3 " "	38 15	Dis. April 29, 1875.
One Examination Certificate,				3 00	
Credit by State Aid \$246 95				\$1003 88	
Credit by 1 mileage, 14 40			261 35	261 35	
Balance				\$742 53	

REPORT

OF THE

CITY LIQUOR AGENCY.

A. A. HARRINGTON, Agent, from Jan. 1st to May 25, 1875.

Dr.

To Liquors per Invoice Jan. 1, 1875,	\$2,017 25
" purchased since,	590 36
To City Hall Department, for rent,	80 58
To Cash of City Treasurer, for freight and incidentals,	39 80
" " for salary,	141 28
To incidental account, profit and loss,	85
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	\$2,870 12

Cr.

By Cash from Sales of Liquor,	\$1,159 18
By Invoice Liquors to M. A. Evarts, Agent,	1,710 94
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	\$2,870 12

We have examined the above account and find a clerical error of \$10.26, which is adjusted and paid to City Treasurer since January 1, 1876, which makes the profit and loss \$11.11.

N. PARKER, M. MULQUEEN, H. H. DOOLITTLE,	}	Auditors.
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MILES A. EVARTS, Agent, from May 25th to Dec. 31, 1875.

Dr.

To Invoice Liquors of A. A. Harrington, Agent,	\$1,710 94
" " purchased since,	2,228 59
" coal for Agency,	21 90
To Burlington Gas Light Co.,	36 33
To Burlington Water Works,	6 00
To City Hall Department, for rent,	119 42
To cash of City Treasurer, for salary,	350 00
To cash of City Treasurer, for freight and office expenses,	27 71
To Griswold & Frissell, insurance,	10 00
To balance profit and loss,	435 89
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	\$4,946 78

Cr.

By cash paid City Treasurer, for sales in City,	\$2,796 70
" " for sales to other towns,	696 34
" " for sales barrels,	63 13
By invoice liquors on hand,	1,390 61
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	\$4,946 78

M. A. EVARTS, City Agent.

We have examined the accounts of M. A. Evarts, City Agent, from May 25, 1875, to Dec. 31, 1875, and find them correct.

N. PARKER,	} Auditors.
M. MULQUEEN,	
H. H. DOOLITTLE,	

REPORT OF POLICE JUSTICE.

Summary of fines and costs imposed by JOHN B. HOLLENBECK,
Justice of the Peace. The said fines and costs being payable to the
City of Burlington,

Jan. 1, 1875, to Jan. 1, 1876.

	Fines.	Costs.
*20 Cases.	\$15 00	\$123 84
1 Case acquitted and discharged,		\$7 38
4 Cases mittimus issued,	\$10 00	33 15
1 Case committed to jail,		5 79
2 Cases paid to Treasurer,	3 00	12 90
1 Case mittimus withheld,	2 00	9 32
8 cases <i>nolle pros</i> entered,		55 30
TOTAL,	\$15 00	\$123 84

3 Cases, fine and costs partially paid into Court, and mittimus
issued for balance unpaid.

Total, 20 cases.

*NOTE.—By vote of the Board of Aldermen, the names of the criminals in the cases summarized above, are omitted from this publication, but are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

REPORT OF THE CITY JUDGE.

SUMMARY OF FINES AND COSTS IMPOSED BY

M. R. TYLER, Judge of the City Court,

In cases where said fines and costs were adjudged payable to the
City of Burlington.

JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1875, INCLUSIVE.

*113 Cases, against 130 persons.

	Fines.	Costs.
27 Cases, fine and costs paid into Court, and to City Treasurer,	\$98 03	\$257 14
39 Cases mittimus issued and delivered to officers for collection,	117 02	410 79
9 Cases committed to jail,		93 69
6 Cases appealed to County Court, (one not entered and mittimus issued),	18 00	64 39
6 Cases sentence suspended,		56 10
15 Cases acquitted,		144 14
10 Cases <i>nolle prosequi</i> entered,		71 48

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M. R. TYLER, *City Judge.*

Burlington, Jan. 3, 1876.

*NOTE.—By vote of the Board of Aldermen the names of the criminals in the cases summarized above, are omitted from this publication, but are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

REPORT

OF THE

CHIEF OF POLICE.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor, as Chief of Police, to submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1875 :

The whole number of arrests made by the Police Department, during the year, is 543, and may be classified as follows :

For intoxication,	224
“ selling intoxicating liquor,	95
“ breach of the peace,	101
“ grand larceny,	42
“ petit larceny,	21
“ assault and battery,	19
“ burglary and larceny,	5
“ threatening injury and intimidating R. R., employees,	6
“ violations of city ordinance,	5
“ vagrancy,	4
“ robbery,	3
“ breaking jail	2
“ uttering forged paper,	2
“ open and gross lewdness,	1
“ cruelty to animals,	1
“ keeping gambling implements,	1
“ assault with intent to rob,	1

" keeping intoxicating liquor with intent to sell	1
" violation of Sunday law,	2
" attempt to break and enter dwelling,	1
" burglary,	1
" assaulting officer,	1
" adultery,	1

Total	543
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Increase over 1874, 20

During the year just completed 884 persons have been sheltered at the Station House.

The whole number of Police is 42, of which number 34 are special police, or watchmen, for the various lumber yards, depots and wharves, appointed in compliance with requests made by the proprietors of the same and have at times performed very important duties.

The police are distributed among the wards of the City, as follows:

1st Ward,	Eight.
2d "	Six.
3d "	Ten.
4th "	Eight.
5th "	Ten.

The increase of lodgers at the Station House is owing to the great influx of tramps, (persons without employment or visible means of support), who have annoyed the whole country for the past year.

Though the Police Department has not been able to wholly suppress crime, yet the amount of crime committed within our limits has been small, when it is considered how our City has been thronged with persons without employment and without means of support, whose temptation to commit crime, if not their disposition, must have been very great.

From January 1st to July 22d, three patrolmen were on duty all night, at two dollars each, per night.

One policeman on duty every night during the year, at the Central Depot, Wharves and Battery Street.

From May 19th to September 15th, there was one patrolman on duty at the Battery Park, at one dollar per night, since which time he has been on duty at the Square, and vicinity, at the same compensation.

Since July 22d to the present time, there have been two night patrolmen on duty at two dollars each, per night.

There are at present four patrolmen on night duty, who are paid as follows: two, at two dollars each per night, and two, at one dollar each per night.

There are, at present, 39 prisoners confined in the County Jail, charged with various crimes, from highway robbery to intoxication.

Only five of the 39 are chargeable to the City.

The total expense of the Police Department amounts to twenty-five hundred and seventy dollars, (\$2570).

The property in my hands, at the Police Station, is in good order and ample for present use.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. DREW,

Chief of Police.

Burlington, Vt., Jan. 1, 1876.

REPORT
OF THE
CITY ATTORNEY,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1875.

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, }
BURLINGTON, January 1st, 1876. }

To the City Council,

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor to submit this report of the business of this office since April 25th, 1875.

When the business of the office fell into my hands, the following named suits were pending, in which the city was interested :

In the Circuit Court of the United States, John H. Cheever *vs* James A Shedd *et al*.

In the Supreme Court, C. W. Woodhouse *et al. vs* The City.

In the Court of Chancery, Wm. L. Strong *vs* T. E. Wales *et al*, and Wm. H. H. Barker *vs* The Mayor *et al*.

For the character of these cases, except the latter, I refer you to the last report of the former City Attorney, where they seem to be fully described.

The case of John H. Cheever was argued by the former attorney at the February term of the Court, 1875, and the opinion was reserved. No decision has yet been made.

The case of C. W. Woodhouse *et al* was argued at the Supreme Court in Jan., 1875, by the former City Attorney, and decision reserved. In August last, the case was decided in favor of the city, and the assessments for the College Street sewer, involved in that proceeding, have all been collected, with costs, and paid to the City Treasurer.

The case of Wm. L. Strong was heard before the Chancellor on the 30th of April last, on a motion on the part of the city to dissolve the injunction granted on the filing of the bill, restraining the city from closing the carriage way west of the City Hall, Fletcher Free Library and Strong's building. On that hearing, the injunction was dissolved, except so far so it refers to a strip of land eleven feet wide immediately west of Strong's building, which is covered by the King lease hereafter mentioned. This case has been carefully prepared for trial, and a portion of the testimony taken, and the counsel in the case are confident of the final triumph of the city therein, especially so far as it refers to the right of the city to close the carriage way and improve the same as a Park.

The case of Wm. H. H. Barker was brought in the Court of Chancery to restrain the city from establishing a Pest House on North Avenue, near his residence. It appears from the record that a hearing was had before the Chancellor last February on the motion of the city to dissolve the injunction granted on the filing of the bill, on which hearing, which appears to have been full and complete, the city was defeated. This suit was entered in the April term following, and has since been settled and discontinued by the payment of costs, agreed upon at fifteen dollars. I believe this was a very favorable disposition of the case.

Wales & Taft, Frederick Smith and wife, and Townsend & Hill have joined in an appeal from the assessment, made by the Street Commissioners of the expenses of the College Street sewer, claiming that the assessments against them respectively, are excessive. Commissioners have been appointed to hear the case and make report.

In the early summer James Donnelly was in the county jail on a certified execution, and the city was paying his board. Proceedings were instituted on the part of the city before the Chief Justice, on which the certificate was vacated and the city relieved from that burden.

There were pending in the County Court, two cases entitled *State vs Strong*, commenced by the former City Attorney, and therefore it fell to this office to attend to them. One was an information against Wm. L. Strong for maintaining steps on the west side of Church street, so as to encroach upon the sidewalk. Mr. Strong has

proposed to remove the steps complained of, and when he does so, I see no reason why the case may not be ended.

The other was an indictment against him for maintaining what is known as Strong's Building, upon the corner of the City Hall Park. This case was carefully prepared and tried at the September term of the Court last, Mr. Roberts and the States Attorney assisting. As this case has excited much public interest, it may be well to give a brief statement of it.

Mr. Strong holds the whole of the land on which the building stands, except that portion now occupied by Wheelock & Griffin, under a perpetual lease from the town of Burlington to Lyman King, authorized and legalized by a special act of the Legislature in 1808,

This parcel of land, being 89 feet on Church street, and 95 feet on College street, passed by deed from King to Buel & Catlin in 1812, and from Buel & Catlin to Henry Thomas in 1823, and the same was occupied during all that period by the respective owners.

In 1833, Thomas was indicted for maintaining that building upon that land, on the trial of which, it was then decided that the respondent could not be punished by indictment for doing what the State had authorized him to do. In 1838 Mr. Strong became the sole owner of that land, by warranty deed from Mr. Thomas, since which time he has occupied the whole of it exclusively for his own purposes. The act of the Legislature, as well as the former acquittal, the Court held to be conclusive upon that branch of the case.

The title to the land upon which the Wheelock & Griffin store is built stands upon entirely different grounds.

The town of Burlington conveyed the whole of that parcel in 1825, by perpetual lease to Henry Thomas. That lease the town had no right to make. Thomas built a ball room over a portion of this land, leaving a strip 18 by 24 feet on the Church Street side entirely unoccupied, and leaving a passage way under the new ball room. Mr. Strong purchased the land in that condition in 1838, and in 1839 closed up that passage under the ball room, and has occupied that exclusively ever since.

A principle of law obtained in this State at an early day, more from practice than from any careful judicial decision, that when

land belonging to the public, has been occupied adversely for fifteen years, a legal title in said occupant is presumed, and that title is conclusive against the public. As this principle is contrary to the common law of England and all the American States where the question has been decided, and as it seemed to the Counsel of the City, to be contrary to public policy, it was confidently hoped that the Chief Justice would decide in favor of the public upon that question, so that in the light of the reason which prevails in every other civilized land upon this subject, the highest tribunal in the State might pass upon it; but the Chief Justice ruled otherwise, and applied the principle which has heretofore obtained in this State to this case.

The strip on the Church Street side, 18 by 24 feet, was never occupied by any one adversely to the public until 1868, when Mr. Strong constructed the two story part; but until that time that strip of land was occupied by the public, the same as any other portion of the square, to pass and repass, as they pleased, without any obstruction whatever, and without any notice by any occupancy, that any one claimed it adversely to the public.

The reasoning of the Chief Justice upon this branch of the case was in this wise :

The lease to Thomas in 1825 was void without the authority of the Legislature. From the long time which has elapsed since the giving of the lease, and the long possession the lessee has had of a portion of the land covered by it, the Court will presume that the Legislature authorized the lease. Then, Strong having been in exclusive possession of a portion of the land covered by the lease since 1839, is constructively in possession of the whole, and having been constructively (not actually) in possession of this 18 by 24 feet of land since 1839, is conclusively the owner of it. This is believed, by the writer, to be the first time in history, when this doctrine of constructive possession has been applied, to oust the real owner of land from any portion which he has never ceased to occupy himself, and to give it to a man who has, as a mere trespasser, squatted upon a portion of it, under a deed from one having no title at all. The City should congratulate itself, that the lease in question did not cover the whole park, for if it had, the decision

above referred to, would make Strong the conclusive owner of the whole, he having occupied a portion of it, under the lease exclusively for the requisite number of years.

The decision of the Chief Justice, respecting the 18 by 24 feet of land, used by the public until 1868, was a surprise to the profession generally who heard it; and it is to be regretted that both questions raised under the lease of 1825, being so clearly debatable, were not so disposed of by him as to allow the Supreme Court to pass upon them. As no exceptions are allowed the State in criminal cases, there is no remedy for such a decision.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. LAWRENCE,

City Attorney.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :—The City Charter provides that the Superintendent of Schools shall “annually report to the City Council such statistics as are now required by law, and such other information as the Board of School Commissioners shall direct.”

Pursuant to this provision the Superintendent submits the following brief report.

FINANCES.

The total amount of money received for school purposes during the year has been as follows :

Cash on hand Jan. 1st, 1875, as appeared in the last report of this department,	\$1,417 79
Received for interest on U. S. Deposit Fund,	1,747 39
“ rent of school lands and funds,	225 23
“ tuition non-resident pupils, &c.,	49 10
Received from taxes during the year,	18,254 33
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Total Receipts,	\$21,693 84

DISBURSEMENTS.

The amount paid out for school purposes during the year has been as follows :

Salaries of Teachers,	\$15,174 12
Salary of Music Teacher,	605 42
“ Superintendent,	1,000 00
Janitors and cleaning,	960 83
Repairs,	330 29
Fuel,	1,141 41
Apparatus, Maps, Charts, &c.,	98 60
Incidentals,	785 29
Supplies,	394 29
Furniture,	18 50
Census,	128 80
Water Rent,	85 00
Insurance,	126 41
Evening School,	75 00
Furniture for new houses,	1,130 34
Interest pending collection of taxes and on construction loan,	397 98
Total,	<hr/> \$22,452 28
Our receipts for the year were estimated at	\$24,117 79
They have actually been only	21,693 84
Being a falling off in receipts,	<hr/> \$2,423 95
Our disbursements for the year were estimated at	\$24,100 00
They have actually been only	22,452 28
A reduction of	<hr/> \$1,647 72
The total receipts have been	\$21,693 84
The total disbursements have been	22,452 28

Expenses in excess of income,	\$ 758 44
There is to be added to this the construction debt of	1,500 00

Making our indebtedness in all, \$2,258 44

Which by the City Treasurer's report will appear as the amount which this department has been allowed to over draw their account.

There was reported last year a debt to the Savings Bank of \$1500, for a loan made to pay off the balance due the construction account for the two new buildings, and the Board are carrying that debt along and paying the the interest on it, awaiting the sale of the unoccupied school property on Cherry Street, which when sold will be ample to pay the debt.

Had there been no falling off in our estimate of receipts for the year, caused by shrinkage of the Grand List made up three months after our estimates were made, and by other failure of resources, and by pressure of the times which made it impossible to collect the taxes as fully as usual, we should have had funds sufficient to have met all our disbursements and to have discharged the construction account debt and still have had a small balance in cash to our credit.

The finance committee have made, and the Board have approved the following estimates of receipts and disbursements for the year 1876.

RECEIPTS.

For interest on U. S. Deposit Fund,	\$1,747 39
Rent of school lands,	183 23
Interest on School Bonds,	84 00
For taxes, 50 per cent. on Grand List, say	19,250 00
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	\$21,264 62

DISBURSEMENS.

Teachers' Salaries,	\$14,500 00
Music Teacher's Salary,	600 00
Superintendent's Salary,	1,000 00
Janitors and cleaning,	1,000 00
Repairs,	750 00
Fuel,	1,200 00
Appratus, Maps, Charts, &c.,	100 00
Incidentals,	750 00
Supplies,	500 00
Insurance,	150 00
Furniture,	250 00
Census,	150 00
Water Rent,	100 00
Evening Schools,	100 00
Interest pending collection of taxes,	200 00
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	\$21,300 00

The Board of Commissioners find themselves obliged to again ask a tax of 50 per cent. for school purposes. They have carefully considered the matter of expenses, and found themselves unable to reduce expenses, the past year, any faster than their income was reduced. In September, they expect to be able to reduce the number of teachers somewhat, and without special injury to the schools, get along with three less teachers than we had at the beginning of the present school year. Our more perfect grading of the schools is constantly making it possible for each teacher to take charge of a larger number of pupils.

The School Board are aware that all the positions could be filled with teachers at very much less salaries than we are now paying. They do not, however, believe it to be a wise economy to engage cheap, inexperienced, or untrained teachers. Even at our present prices, it is not easy to secure and retain our best teachers.

The following is the list of teachers now employed in our schools, January, 1876.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Principal—Joseph D. Bartley.

1st Asst.—Laura H. Brownell.

2d “ Myra B. Richardson.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Principal—Mrs. J. M. Wyatt.

1st Asst.—Mary E. Wells.

2d “ Helen C. Converse.

3d “ Mrs. F. A. Marlette.

PINE STREET INTERMEDIATE.

Principal—Mary B. Stiles.

2d Asst.—Mary E. Collins.

2d “ Nettie M. White.

POMEROY INTERMEDIATE.

Principal—Alice V. Walker.

1st Asst.—Martha N. Sherman.

2d “ Nellie Townsend.

ADAMS INTERMEDIATE.

Principal—Anna A. Pease.

Assistant.—Florence J. Beecher.

NORTH STREET PRIMARY.

Principal—Ella M. Reardon.

Assistant—Anna M. Gilliland.

PINE STREET PRIMARY.

Principal—Eva E. Sallies.

Assistant—Katie P. Miller.

POMEROY PRIMARY.

Principal—Lizzie A. Reese.

Assistant—Mary E. Lord.

ADAMS PRIMARY.

Principal—Maria A. McWeeney.

1st Asst.—Anna T. Smith.

1st “ Sarah M. Town.

FALLS SCHOOL, (Mixed Grades).

Principal—Sarah A. Enright.

Assistant—Jennie Matthews.

NORTH AVENUE (Mixed Grades).

Teacher—Nellie H. Stiles.

TEACHER OF MUSIC IN PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.

Aurelia E. Gilson.

TEACHER OF MUSIC IN HIGH AND GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

Joseph D. Bartley.

The following table shows the attendance at the different schools during the year.

SCHOOLS.	WINTER TERM.			SPRING TERM.			FALL TERM.			Tardinesses for the year.	Dismissals for the year.
	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.	Number Enrolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.		
High School,	99	86	87	120	80	67	112	80	71	85	51
Gram. " "	117	105	90	110	102	92	157	144	92	107	78
<i>Intermediate,</i>											
Pine Street,	91	76	83	98	82	84	101	85	84	141	66
Pomeroy,	82	68	75	75	66	88	66	57	86	132	29
Adams,	57	50	88	44	40	91	57	45	79	291	27
<i>Primary,</i>											
Pine Street,	66	54	82	92	78	85	88	67	75	148	21
Pomeroy,	65	50	77	88	75	85	79	64	81	132	29
Adams,	67	51	76	87	72	83	103	79	76	291	27
No. & Murray,	48	37	77	66	55	83	92	66	73	114	5
<i>Mixed Grades,</i>											
Falls School,	62	47	76	52	46	88	56	45	80	46	9
North Avenue,	12	10	83	14	10	71	13	12	92	25	13
Ungraded Sch	32	19	60				20	13	65	156	13
Even'g School,	27	13	48				19	13	69		
Totals,	825	666	81	846	606	72	963	770	80	16	68

The attendance during the winter term was much reduced by the general "small pox scare," which visited the city last year.

Following is an abstract of the school census for the year 1875 :

WARDS.	No. of Families.	No. of children under 5 years of age.	No. of children between 5 and 10 years.	No. of children between 10 and 15 years.	No. of children between 15 and 20 years.	Whole No. of children under 20 years.	No. of children of School age.	No. of heads of families.
First.....	169	77	133	126	108	444	367	293
Second.....	408	220	230	193	178	821	601	739
Third.....	574	399	360	284	294	1337	938	1063
Fourth.....	502	220	206	202	213	841	621	872
Fifth.....	466	227	221	183	221	852	625	819
Totals in 1876.....	2119	1143	1150	988	1014	4295	3152	3786
“ “ 1875.....	1914	1207	1150	952	908	4217	3010	3430
Gain “ “.....	205			36	106	78	142	356
Loss “ “.....		64						
Totals in 1874.....	2176	1284	1153	1001	985	4424	3140	3920
Decrease '74 to '76.	65	141	3	3		129		144
Gain “ “.....					29		12	

A careful consideration of the above abstract of the School Census, just taken under the supervision of the clerk of the School Board, Mr. H. O. Wheeler, and the comparisons made between it and the census of 1875 and 1874, is invited, and will be worthy of special study by those who felt discouraged by our apparently great backward growth last year. We have either made considerable progress this year, or more probably, the census, last year, was imperfectly taken.

GENERAL REMARKS.

GENTLEMEN,

Thus briefly have been presented the statistics required to be reported, and my report might perhaps properly close here, inasmuch as the Board of School Commissioners have it in view to publish a report of the condition of the schools under their management, more extended than can properly be embodied in the City Report, but since such intention, once or twice before intimated in years past, has never developed itself into an actual report, I have concluded to present a few very brief comments.

TEACHERS.

The Board have aimed this year, as heretofore, to retain its best teachers and to make as few changes as possible. Mr. Halsey, of the High School, and Miss Louise A. Dennison and Miss Jennie Dow, of the same school, resigned their positions at the close of the summer term. The principalship of that school thus made vacant, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Joseph D. Bartley, who, for the past seven years, had been the successful Principal of the Concord (N. H.) High School. The Board decided to appoint only one teacher in place of the two others, who resigned in the same school, and they succeeded in securing for the position the return of Miss Myra B. Richardson, a former teacher in the same school. There was one change—a 3d assistant—in the Grammar School, and some few changes in the Assistants in some of the Intermediate and Primary Schools. Changes are very undesirable, unless where bad selections have been made. Good teachers seem to improve from year to year, and to gain and hold the confidence of the people,—as witness of this, I refer to the Grammar School, in which the same Principal and 1st and 2d Assistants have been employed for five successive years.

MUSIC.

The School Board, after considerable deliberation, decided to change its Instructor in Music, giving up Mr. Phillips, a most accomplished musician, and employing a lady teacher in his place. By the change, we secure nearly double the number of lessons we had before, without increase of expense, having the whole time of Miss Gilson, who took his place. We have found too, as has usually proved true in other places, that in music, as in other studies, the younger pupils do better under the instruction of a lady than under a gentleman teacher.

The progress made in music in our schools has been very gratifying to all who have given the matter attention. There are not now apparently half as many pupils in our schools unable to take part in the musical exercises as there were five years ago.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Our new school buildings are furnished as far as required at present, and they and the older ones are in perfect order. The new buildings are a great ornament and credit to the City. It is doubted if better ones are to be found in the State. The Pomeroy School Building, in its structure and internal arrangement, is believed not to be surpassed anywhere by any building of the same cost. The Adams School Building is not arranged inside, owing to its standing with its side to the street, in quite as good a manner, but is well arranged, and has the pleasantest location in the City for a school.

OUR GOOD BUILDINGS A BENEFIT TO ALL.

Not only those who attend the Public School, but those who attend Private Schools are benefited by our new buildings. The very fine new buildings erected for the Roman Catholic School, near St. Mary's Hall, is sufficient proof of this.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS,

The Board of Commissioners are discussing and maturing plans for improving the High School, for giving it a higher character and making it second to none in New England, as a Preparatory School. They are also arranging to revise and improve the entire course of study in all the schools.

TEACHERS MEETINGS.

As required by the Rules of the School Board, the Superintendent has held fortnightly, Teachers' Meetings, and arranged a regular schedule and plan of work for these meetings, consisting of model class work, the reading of essays, &c. At each meeting a teacher is assigned to bring in a class of from 10 to 12 of her pupils, and there to conduct a recitation before the other teachers, as in her regular school work. After the class retires the other teachers criticise the class work, make inquiries, &c. The result of this exercise has been that all have studied to get the best methods and to

do the best possible work. Those teachers who were spectators, as well as those conducting the exercises have carried these best methods into their regular school work, and the Superintendent already sees the best of results coming from this work in all the schools. No work that he has been able to do seems to him to have been more serviceable to the schools than this. The teachers have also been required to write essays upon some educational subject, for the most part upon Methods of School Instruction and Discipline, and discussions and criticisms upon the class work, and essays have been encouraged and quite generally and fully participated in. The essays read have compared favorably with the more pretentious ones put forth in education works and educational journals.

The superintendent reports the schools not as in a perfect, but in a healthy prosperous condition, and making progress in the right direction, and all in charge of teachers ambitious to succeed in teaching as in a chosen profession and all ready to accept and profit by any hint given them. The discipline of the schools is for the most part good and in some schools excellent, and special attention is being given to improving the same everywhere, but resort to harsh means, —corporal punishment—is discouraged and discountenanced and with good results in that respect.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. ALGER, Superintendent.

January 2, 1876.

REPORT

OF THE

CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN :—In conformity with custom, and the rule of your honorable body, I have the honor to present to you the Eleventh Annual Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department of the City of Burlington.

This report embraces a detailed statement of the condition of the Department at the close of the fiscal year, and the operations of the Department for the year just closed, it is based on personal knowledge obtained since my last report, and from the company reports, on file in this office. I shall endeavor to present to your honorable body, in this report, all the items of interest connected with the workings of the force. In it will be found a complete Roster of our Companies, including officers and members, and a complete list of property belonging to the Department; also, a statement of the losses by fire during the year, and the number of alarms responded to.

The Engineer Department is as follows :

Chief Engineer,	Hiram S. White.
1st Assistant,	Edward F. Lucas.
2d "	William Denning.
3d "	Edgar E. Bevins.
4th "	Charles F. Spaulding.

BOXER ENGINE COMPANY NO. 3.

Foreman, CHARLES E. BROOKS,

1st Asst. E. J. McCARTY.

Clerk, CHARLES TYLER.

2nd Asst. PATRICK RITCHIE.

Treas. ALEX CROSBY.

MEMBERS.

Bostwick, O. F.	Hurley, Wm.	McDonough, J. C.
Brouette, Charles	Hanley, Patrick	O'Brien, Thomas
Bacon, Jas. L.	Henry, James	O'Brien, Michael
Brown, Wm.	Kelley, Wm.	O'Brien, Patrick
Cummings, M.	Lane, H. S.	Rowe, Ransom
Cubit, Wm.	Lane, Wm.	Ryan, Richard
Durham, Peter	Linsley, T. E.	Shortsleeves, F.
Dooley, T. E.	Mitchell, Dan.	Wardlow, J. W.
Delorme, Jos.	Mitchell, Jacob	White, James
Fitzgerald, Edward	Mulqueen, John	Wescott, Samuel
Foley, James	Maloney, Wm.	Blair, Wm.

38 Members.

The Boxer Engine Company has a Hunneman Hand Engine, which has only once the past year been called into use; connected with this company is a Hose Company, with Hose Cart, and about 500 feet of leather hose that has been in use for the last 12 years; every thing belonging to this Company is in as good condition as can be expected. This Company, as well as all the rest of the companies in our Department, must have at least 300 feet of new hose each, to make the Company efficient. Except the hose, everything is in the best of condition, and always ready to respond promptly.

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY NO. 1.

Foreman, ROBERT C. STRONG.

1st Asst. PETER LANDER.

Clerk, E. M. SUTTON.

2nd Asst. GEO. MAYO.

Treas. WM. WHEELER.

3rd Asst. J. HASTINGS.

Auditor, WM. DENNING.

MEMBERS.

Butler, Patrick	Hanly, John	Miller, Wm.
Butler, Thomas	Harris, Mike	Mulqueen, Patrick
Bresnihan, John	Hudson, George	Murphy, Geo.
Clark, Frank	Kelley, John	Murphy, Frank
Collins, Matthew	Kelley, Mike	Nangle, John
Croto, Alex	Kennedy, Dennis	O'Brien, Jerry
Croto, Jerry	Kennedy, Samuel	O'Neal, James
Cunningham, M. Jr.	Lovejoy, Stephen	Place, Edward
Denning, James	Latour, Wm.	Powers, Wm.
Dugan, Richard	Marengo, Peter	Russell, Thomas
Flynn, David E.	Miller, Alex	Shea, John J.
Gormon, Edward	Miller, Stephen	Tatro, Wm.

43 Members.

This Company I can report altogether different from last year. In the first place this Company has a first rate room for meeting, which is all they ask for; the truck has been remodelled and improved in many ways, an entire new set of ladders, pikes, hooks and drag-ropes; finally there is nothing wanting for this Company, their last request being granted, by allowing them 60 men. When this Company is full, our Hose Companies must "git up and git" or the Roughs will lead them to the fires, I judge by the last alarm.

 ETHAN ALLEN ENGINE COMPANY No. 4.

Captain, A. S. DREW,

1st Asst. B. J. DERBY,

2d " W. F. DOOLITTLE.

Auditor. A. G. STRONG,

Clerk and Treasurer, H. L. REED.

MEMBERS.

Barlow, Edward	Hagar, George	Smith, C. P.
Bedor, Felix	Hall, W. E.	Storrs, O. S.
Burritt, E. W.	Harrington, H. W.	Stearns, R. B.
Brown, James A.	Hindes, G. W.	Taft, E. W.
Brownell, C. W. Jr.	Hill, H. R.	Taft, F. L.
Barrows, E. A.	Johnson, S. Jr.	Tyler, W. A.
Clark, H. N.	Kinsley, C. S.	Van Sicklen, F. M.
Cole, A. K.	Lamory Oliver	Van Sicklen, John
Conant, A. F.	Lane, W. H. Jr.	Van Buskirk, I.
Converse, F. K.	Lord, G. M.	Walker, Solomon
Cosgriff, T. V.	Miner, C. E.	Walker, Hiram
Cushman, W. M.	Murray, Moses	Ward, C. F.
Crane, G. E.	Miller, E. W.	Ward, F. W.
Davis, H. H.	Peck, John E.	Waters, W. H.
Davis L. M.	Piersons, N. I.	Weller, W. E.
Duncan, C. W. H.	Powers, C. W.	White, Napoleon
Earl, E. A.	Parker, E. C.	White, Henry S.
Elliot, E. F.	Perkins, F. E.	Whitney, C. H.
Ferguson, C. H.	Reynolds, W. G.	Witherill, A. B.
Gates, A. E.	Rogers, T. P. W.	Wells, Edward
Hendee, W. F.	Ryer, E. C.	Webb, A. G.

68 Members.

This Company is the largest Company in the City, has 68 members on their roll, has a Jeffers Engine with a Hose Cart attached, besides owning an elegant Hose Carriage and forming a company for it from their ranks, both under the same Officers, they have on hand from 500 to 700 feet of good hose, that has been in use from 10 to 12 years. This Company should have new hose this coming season. Everything about their rooms is in perfect order and good condition.

VOLUNTEER HOSE COMPANY No. 1.

Foreman, SAYLES NICHOLS,

1st Asst. HENRY R. CONGER,

Clerk and Treasurer, G. S. WRIGHT,

2d " JOEL LINSLEY,

Auditor, D. NOYES BURTON.

MEMBERS.

Avery, S. C.	Foster, Curt. E.	Loomis, C. S.
Burton, D. N.	Henderson, Ed. F.	Nichols, S.
Buss, George	Howe, H. G.	Peck, J. H. F.
Conger, H. R.	Hotchkiss, J. B.	Pease, C. E.
Cutler, T. J.	Jones, H. D.	Reiley, J. R.
Drake, W. B.	Laduke, G. L.	Scully, J. B.
Drury, Frank	Leprond, M.	Smith, J. B.
Donaldson, J. A.	Linsley, J.	Stone, W. L.
Ferguson, O. B.	Loomis, G. I.	Waite, W. C.
Fay, F. F.	Loomis, H. L.	Wright, G. S.

35 Members

This Company does not belong to the Department; is an Independent Company; owns its own spider and other apparatus, pays its own expenses, and is not obliged to come out only as they have a mind to, but have reported to most of the fires, and always have done their duty as firemen.

STAR HOSE COMPANY No. 2.

Foreman, L. C. GRANT,

1st Asst. W. P. CONGER,

Clerk, J. G. NOYES,

2d " E. C. RICHARDSON,

Treasurer, J. H. BAIRD.

Auditor, WM. FAULKNER.

MEMBERS.

Austin, A. L.	Liberty, H.	Perkins, N. E.
Barney, A. E.	Lowry, N.	Richardson, Wm.
Beach, J. T.	Massey, A.	Stannard, J. C.
Huntington, C. A.	Norton, L.	Sheridan, J. H.
Hitchings, E. L.	Peters, M. M.	Whitney, C. H.
Langlois, J. L.	Pine, M.	Willett, E. C.

23 Members.

This Company is located in Ward 2, is a young Company as to ages, but old as firemen. This Company was organized in 1872, has a Hose Cart and 500 feet Linen Hose, a good room and everything that is necessary to make this an efficient Company. Officers and men are always on hand and ready for duty.

CLIPPER HOSE COMPANY No. 6.—WARD 1.

Foreman, JOHN MURDOCH,

1st Asst. JOHN L. MCGOWEN,

Treasurer, GEO. A. RUMSEY,

2d " EDWARD JERRY,

Clerk, JOHN B. MORSE.

MEMBERS.

Bevins, E. E.	Johnson, John	Martin, Louis E.
Burns, Joseph	Leclaire, Peter	McCarty, Henry
Gregg, William	Lowther, William	Poirier, Joseph
Gleason, Patrick	Mayo, Adolphus	Whitney, John

16 Members.

This Company is located in Ward 1, at Winooski Falls, some two miles from headquarters. There has been only one fire in that part of the City. This fire was on Christmas night, the Company was somewhat scattered at the time of the alarm, and had some trouble about the connection, that probably will not happen again. This Company is a well organized Company, has a fine Hose House, 500 feet of hose and everything that is necessary to make it complete.

HOWARD HOSE NO. 5.—WARD 5.

Foreman, A. A. DREW.

1st Asst. THOMAS COFFEE.

Clerk and Treas. J. W. RUSSELL.

2nd Asst. E. W. BECKWITH.

Auditor, H. B. WILLARD.

Trustee, PETER R. ROWLEY.

MEMBERS.

Black, John	Guyette, Frank	Mangan, Wm.
Battle, John	Graton, M. C.	McDonald, Jos.
Babcock, John	Jameson, W.	Monahan, Hugh
Coffey, Patrick	Jameson, E.	Murrar, C. L.
Coffey, John	Kelley, John	O'Brien, John
Craven, Luke	Laprese, C.	Shehan, Michael
Craven, Wm. B.	Lawrence, L. L.	Willard, E. L.
Dolan, Chas. L.	McGrath, Owen	Warner, Calven

30 Members.

This Company is located in Ward 5, at the junction of Union and St. Paul streets; has a fine room for the apparatus, and a good meeting room; fine Hose Cart, 500 feet linen hose, and everything necessary for the use of the Company. There are some other things this Company needs to make them as comfortable as they should be, which I shall speak of hereafter.

BARNES HOSE COMPANY NO. 7.—WARD 3.

Foreman, J. H. WATERS.

1st Asst. JOHN HALLERON.

Clerk, M. J. CONWAY.

2nd Asst. PATRICK MADDEN. Auditor, D. R. BRACKEN.

Treasurer, J. B. MURRAY.

MEMBERS.

Aheron, T. F.	Hefferon, M.	Murphy, W.
Carrigan, J.	Hudson, W.	Murphy, P.
Coy, P.	Halleron, L.	Madigan, J.
Cook, M.	Hathaway, A. T.	Newton, Wm.
Dullahan, M.	Hathaway, A. J.	Shehan, P.
Foren, D.	Lee, W. H.	Shehan, J.
Finneran, J.	Ladan, S.	Thomas, B. W.
Finneran, F.	Mead, Geo. F.	Wakefield, J.
Gravelin, J.	Mead, A. A.	Wakefield, James.

33 Members.

This Company is located in Ward 3, Champlain street; has a fine Cart, 500 feet of very poor linen hose, a very good room, and every thing that is necessary to make them an efficient Company, excepting the hose, which must be replaced with new; the hose they are using now is not fit for any company to use—completely used up.

WALTER N. GREENE HOSE COMPANY.—WARD 5.

Foreman, JAMES A. HARVEY.

1st Asst. H. K. WEAVER.

Secretary, F. E. ALLEN.

2nd Asst. DAVID WALKER.

Auditor, CLARENCE HICKS.

MEMBERS.

Allen, F. E.	Hatch, D. F.	Rand, Geo. B.
Brinsmaid, Fred T.	Henderson, W. J.	Seymore, M. C.
Colbath, J. E.	Kelley, John J.	Thomas, H. B.
DeGarmo, F.	Morgan, E. E.	Taft, W. A.
Greene, W. N.	Ostrander, B. F.	Taft, T. A.
Grendrod, R.	Phelps, W. S.	Welch, Frank
Henderson, J. B.		24 Members.

This is an Independent Hose Company, located in Ward 5, Hose House near Kilburn & Gates' mill, on Pine street. This Company has a fine Hose Cart, 1000 feet hose, all apparatus in good condition ; their location is such that this Company should be one of the best companies in the city ; the Company own their apparatus, and pay their own running expenses, but under the control of the Fire Department, and have always responded to all alarms.

The Department has now on hand about 1200 feet of leather and 2000 feet of linen hose ; about 2000 feet in the volunteer companies, and what there is belonging to private companies I know nothing about. There is one thing certain, if we wish to keep our Fire Department in as good condition as it has been, we must have new hose the coming year. Most of the linen hose is almost worthless.

We have in the city nine full and well uniformed Companies ; two Engine and Hose Companies ; one Hook and Ladder Company ; four Hose Companies ; and two volunteer Hose Companies, with 310 men, without any exception as good firemen as can be found, all that is wanting is good hose, and with our present supply of water, and new Ordinances and Rules, all will be well.

The Ladies, we cannot forget them. In my last report I mentioned that they were trying to arrange something for the benefit and comfort of the firemen, what it was then we did not know ; I think our firemen have found out since, by the way they go into refreshments. The most of our companies are provided with stoves, coffee-kettles, cups and everything necessary to get up a first class hotel lunch, in a very short time. These utensils and all refreshments have been supplied by and at the expense of the ladies. If

the boys don't think of them after a fire, then who does? You will see by the Ladies report that the refreshments used in the entire department have cost less than 60 dollars since last spring, which is not as much as one company lunch at our hotels, and a great deal more satisfactory to our firemen.

[EXTRACT.] "First Annual Report of the Ladies. For the purpose of adding to the comfort and welfare of a large class of young men whose services are cheerfully and gratuitously given to protect our homes and property from destruction by fires, it occurred to some ladies to make arrangements by which the firemen could be supplied with hot coffee and suitable refreshments at the Engine and Hose rooms after a fire. To raise funds for the project, an appeal was made to a few of the citizens who responded cheerfully and generously. A sufficient amount was raised to enable them to make a beginning. The experiment has been on trial for nearly a year, and the appreciation of the firemen, and the success with which it has been attended, fully repay those ladies for their efforts."

Received in subscription,	\$196 00
Interest on balance in Bank,	3 10
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	\$199 10
Cash paid for stores and necessary utensils for making and serving the same,	98 45
Cash paid for coffee and refreshments,	59 19
Balance on hand,	41 46
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	\$199 10

I shall not say anything about this arrangement, the members of our entire department have expressed themselves heretofore by the way they go into things after a fire.

I cannot close this report without expressing my thanks to the Assistant Engineers, and the Officers and Men of the entire Department, for the cheerful spirit in which they have severally executed my orders. There has been some trouble in the Department the past year, which will turn out for the better. It has been shown that there were no rules that could enforce the proper discipline. But when our new ordinances and regulations become law, I think there can be no chance for any further trouble in the Department.*

There is not a Company in the Department that is not in want of hose, at least 300 feet each, if our Department is to be kept up to its old standard. The linen hose that belongs to our new Hose Companies is most of it entirely worthless, owing to not having suitable places for drying and taking care of the same.

My reasons for recommending the purchase of more hose is that I know that some of our companies are using hose that is not fit for use, and in order to keep up our Department in as good condition as it has been, these companies must have new.

I would recommend, for the economy of the City, to have a general hose depot; this will do away with a man at each company room to wash and dry hose at the expense of the City. In order to effect this, there must be more hose in the Department, so that after a fire, each Company that has used their hose, can leave it at the depot, and reel on dry and clean hose.

By request, I will further state that there is a new Company in the City, that was started by boys, which has been re-organized and is now composed of able-bodied men, most of whom have been in the other companies. They have their apparatus and everything but hose. This Company is located at the lower end of Battery Street, where there is need of a company. If the City should think it best to furnish them with hose, in my opinion, it would pay in the end, on account of the location of the Company, being the only one in the lower part of the City. This Company is the "E. M. Sutton Hose."

NOTE.—I hereto append the order in relation to Fire Alarms and also the rules adopted by the Board of Engineers, adopted by the City Council—to the careful reading and examination of which, I earnestly ask the attention of our citizens and all our firemen.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. S. WHITE,

Chief Engineer.

FIRE ALARMS.

The alarms have been as follows :

1875.

January	1	W. A. Crombie's Green House, no loss.	
	2	Alarm on George Street, no fire.	
Feb'y	8	Alarm on St. Paul Street, no fire.	
	19	Bronsons, Weston, Greene & Co's Dry House, loss	\$7,000 00
March	8	Winooski Avenue, I. Rogers, loss,	300 00
	19	Murray Street, O'Neil, loss,	200 00
	27	Pearl Street, C. L. Nelson's,	500 00
April	20	Tuttle Street, F. J. Hendees,	3,000 00
	23	Alarm on Win. Ave., no fire.	
May	27	Marble Mill roof, no loss reported.	
	28	Church Street, Miss Kennedy, loss	25 00
July	9	Alarm at Home for Destitute Children, no fire.	
Aug.	19	Shepard, Davis & Co.'s Planing Mill, loss estimated,	10,000 00
Oct.	2	Rutland Railroad wood, no loss reported.	
	11	Mrs. Peck's Bowling Alley, loss	300 00
	14	Battery Street, C. Oliver's barn, loss	300 00
	23	Church Street, Ripley & Holton's store, loss	1,600 00
Nov.	1	Alarm at Deavitts, no loss reported.	
Dec.	2	Alarm at Winooski Avenue, Patrick Fournier, no loss.	
	16	Rutland Depot, loss	3,000 00
	18	False Alarm, no fire.	
	25	Falls, Mason's House, loss	3,500 00

There have been 22 alarms, this year, the losses reported at \$29,725 00

Office of the Chief Engineer Fire Department.

CITY OF BURLINGTON, VT.,
January 1st, 1876.

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AN ORDER IN RELATION TO FIRE ALARMS.

On and after this date the following fire alarm signals will be observed by the Members of the Fire Department of this City.

1st. The Fire Alarms will be sounded by the following : The City Hall Bell, Unitarian Church Bell, Baptist Church Bell, and the Whistle at the Planing Mill of Messrs. Shepard, Davis & Co.

2d. In sounding alarms, the following rules will be observed : Upon an alarm of fire, the several Bells and Whistle will sound the usual alarm, (several rapid taps,) to be immediately followed by a slight pause, when the signals will be given denoting the District wherein the fire is located, viz :

For Ward 1,—Winooski, usual alarm, and one stroke of bell and one whistle.

For Ward 2,—East-half of North Ward, alarm and two strokes bells and whistle.

For Ward 3,—West half of North Ward, alarm and three strokes bells and whistle.

For Ward 4,—Centre Ward, alarm and four strokes bells and whistle.

For Ward 5,—South Ward, alarm and five strokes bells and whistle.

For the Lumber District North of Maple street a succession of rapid alarms.

For the Lumber District South of Maple street, one continued and prolonged sounding of the whistle.

THIS METHOD OF GIVING ALARMS TO BE REPEATED AT SHORT INTERVALS.

3d. In case the location of the fire be not certainly known, the persons sounding the alarms will sound only a general fire alarm until the location thereof is communicated to them, when they will proceed to give the proper signal.

When the location of a fire is known to the persons having charge of the alarm bells and whistle to be on the Colchester side of Winooski River, they will not sound the alarm except upon the order of one of the Board of Engineers.

It is hoped and expected from our citizens, when giving an alarm of fire, that they will communicate with the persons having charge of the fire alarm bells and whistle, or either of them, as stated in this order, as near as possible the location of the fire, so that the proper signal may be speedily and properly given to the Department.

Nothing in this order, however, will operate to excuse members of the Fire Department from a faithful observance of their Company By-Laws, relative to repairing to their several engines or apparatus, and assisting to take the same to the scene of fire.

HIRAM S. WHITE.

Chief Engineer, Burlington Fire Department.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF CITY WATER WORKS.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :—I herewith submit the following report of receipts and disbursements from January 1st to December 31, 1875.

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, Treasurer,	\$16,392 68
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DISBURSEMENTS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES.

JANUARY.

To Paid Monthly Pay-Roll, for labor,	\$121 50
J. W. Hays, for 1 pair traverse sleds,	35 00
“ for $\frac{1}{2}$ day, drawing pipe,	2 00
Shepard, Davis & Co., for lumber,	5 28
John Farmer, work on wash out,	4 00
D. C. Linsley, Supt, work on wash out,	19 87
E. Johnson, Supt., salary for January,	83 33
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	\$270 98

FEBRUARY.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, for labor,	\$126 75
R. McLaughlin, for work,	1 50
Express charges,	35
1 load kindling wood,	2 00
Postage stamps,	21
E. Johnson, Supt., bill horse keeping,	21 25
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill repairs,	6 30
Kilburn & Gates, bill wood,	2 00
E. J. Bunker, bill wood,	1 50
R. McLaughlin, team thawing hydrants,	21 00
Van Sicklen & Walker, bill salt,	50
S. H. Russell, painting tool box, &c.,	14 00
Wheelock & Griffin, bill valves,	2 76
Ripley & Holton, bill hardware,	33 11
Jerry Lee, bill blacksmithing,	19 00
Smith & Bagley, sleigh pole and yoke,	16 25
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill repairs,	16 55
E. Johnson, Supt., salary for February,	83 33
Cartage break in pipe,	2 50
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	\$370 86

MARCH.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, for labor,	\$189 75
Express charges on twine, &c.,	2 00
Cartage filling cisterns,	1 00
Cartage same filling trench,	75
Cotton cloth,	37
W. A. Tyler, bill of repairs,	1 90
R. McLaughlin, filling trenches,	4 50
Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co., bill twine,	7 25
E. W. Peck & Co., bill packing,	4 88
M. C. Grayton, drawing boiler,	2 00

To Paid <i>Free Press</i> , advertising	5 00
Jas. Fallen, bill wood,	3 50
H. R. Thomas, bill wood,	3 50
P. T. Sweet, bill sundries,	104 75
R. McLaughlin, making tool cart and drawing boiler,	17 20
E. Johnson, Supt., horse keeping,	10 00
“ salary for March,	83 33
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	\$441 68

APRIL.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, for labor,	\$189 75
Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co., for twine,	8 38
E. W. Peck & Co., for cement and packing,	16 22
Burlington Gas Light Co.	6 84
E. Johnson, Supt., for horse keeping,	12 50
“ salary for April,	83 33
Cartage on account of leaks in pipe,	3 75
Express charges on twine,	75
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	\$321 52

MAY.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, for labor,	\$173 62
Express charges,	1 30
Cartage on break in pipe,	2 10
Cotton cloth,	50
Freight bill,	3 50
Jerry Lee, for blacksmithing,	16 80
Louis Martin, watching water pipe,	10 00
Burlington Gas Light Co.	6 42
E. Johnson, Supt., horse keeping,	12 50
“ salary for May,	83 83
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	\$310 07

JUNE.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll for labor,	241 55
W. E. Weller, bill of cotton,	1 44
Smith & Bagley, setting cart tyre,	2 00
E. W. Peck, bill cement,	6 00
S. Huntington & Co., bill stationery,	7 48
W. & D. G. Crane, bill lumber,	5 00
P. T. Sweet, bill incidentals,	55 62
D. A. Brodie, repairing pipe,	1 30
E. Johnson, Supt., horse keeping,	12 50
E. Johnson, Supt., salary for June.	83 33
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	\$416 22

JULY.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll for labor,	189 50
Wood \$4.50, cartage \$1,	5 50
Telegraph 1,70, lunch 50,	2 20
Cleaning office,	1 50
Ludlow Valve Co., for valves,	65 27
E. W. Peck & Co., for cement and packing,	4 86
A. R. & G. M. Duncan,	60
Freight bill.	3 23
A. G. Strong, bill hardware,	23 15
Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co., twine,	16 38
W. Mead, 2 brooms,	1 20
H. S. Lane, repairing pump,	1 75
G. F. Collison,	95
Free Press Association advertisement,	7 25
M. D. L. Thompson, printing,	6 00
G. D. Weller, for expenses,	10 00
E. Johnson, Supt., for horse keeping,	12 00
E. Johnson, Supt., salary for July,	83 33
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	434 67

AUGUST.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll for labor,	259 50
E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	2 00
P. T. Sweet, bill pipe and work,	25 74
H. S. White, bill oil,	7 68
Central Vt. Railroad, freight bills,	4 17
W. & D. G. Crane, bill lumber,	42 96
G. I. Hagar, bill hardware,	10 41
B. S. Nichols & Co., hydrant etc,	38 90
“ “ “ pipe and work,	98 87
H. R. Worthington, bill pipe,	48 68
Brink & Co., bill iron pipe,	497 18
Michael Kelly, bill cartage pipe,	12 50
Walker Bros., bill thawing hydrants,	31 50
Cartage cleaning reservoir,	4 75
Burlington gas light Co.	11 54
E. Johnson, Supt., horse keeping,	15 00
“ “ salary for August,	83 33
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	1 194 71

SEPTEMBER.

To paid Monthly Pay Roll for labor,	162 75
Express 1.30, postage 25,	1 55
Morris Tasker & Co., bill tools	12 16
Union Water Meter Co., bill bands,	12 90
W. & D. G. Crane, hydrant stop and gate boxes	58 75
Drew & Conger, bill ice,	8 00
P. T. Sweet, bill sundries.	27 15
Patent Water & Gas Pipe Co., bill of cord	7 25
E. Johnson, Supt., salary for Sept,	83 33
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	373 84

OCTOBER.

To paid Monthly Pay Roll for labor,	165 00
I. S. McGhee, bill cement,	9 00
W. & D. G. Crane, bill boxes,	13 78
Free Press Association, advertising,	2 75
E. Johnson, Supt., horse keeping,	24 00
“ “ salary for October.	83 33
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	297 86

NOVEMBER.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, for labor,	\$119 75
Express on cotton cloth,	1 57
Alex. Crosby, bill blacksmithing,	7 90
Jerry Lee, bill blacksmithing,	5 05
A. G. Strong, bill hardware,	18 83
P. T. Sweet, bill repairs,	22 34
Burlington Gas Light Co.	2 56
W. W. Atwater, advertising,	75
E. Johnson, Supt., horse keeping,	12 00
“ salary for November,	83 33
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	\$274 08

DECEMBER.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, for labor,	\$187 00
P. T. Sweet, bill repairs,	18 11
A. G. Strong, bill hardware,	3 72
A. G. Lucas & Son, glazing,	1 75
Street Department, bill filling,	7 87
W. A. Tyler, bill repairs,	1 90
E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	8 00
Wheelock & Griffin, for valve,	2 12
Jerry Lee, for blacksmithing,	7 55

To paid Ripley & Holton, for hardware,	39 66
Central Vermont, for freight,	75
E. Johnson, Supt., horse keeping,	18 00
“ “ salary for December,	83 33
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	\$379 76
Total amount for current expenses,	\$5,086 25

DISBURSEMENTS FOR PUMPING. JANUARY.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$135 25
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FEBRUARY.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$168 75
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill repairs,	8 89
H. R. Worthington, bill valves and packing,	54 12
E. W. Chase, bill wood,	2 00
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	\$233 76

MARCH.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$195 74
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill fire-brick, &c.	34 06
H. R. Worthington, bill valve springs,	6 00
T. W. Fisher, bill chimneys,	1 00
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	\$236 80

APRIL.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$180 87
Jas. E. Russell, repairing boilers,	111 69
H. S. Langworthy, bill of lime,	3 00
John McLaughlin, cartage sand and brick,	18 75
E. W. Chase, bill of wood,	10 00
G. L. Linsley, bill of coal,	212 21
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	\$536 52

MAY.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$126 64
“ “ “ trimming coal,	31 75
Seccomb, Kehew & Thayer, bill of oil,	99 08
A. G. Lucas & Son, for ladder,	3 00
G. L. Linsley, bill of coal,	350 13
“ “	5,116 86
Adsit & Bigelow, bill of coal,	337 50
P. Murphy, hoisting coal,	68 70
Linsley & Co., for brick,	17 36
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	\$6,151 02

JUNE.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$170 53
Michael McDeavitt, dumping coal,	5 25
—Deamond, trimming coal,	9 00
Pat. Hayes, trimming coal,	7 00
R. McLaughlin, repairing coal shed,	6 75
C. Blodgett, Son & Co., bill lumber,	17 51
T. W. Fisher,	1 13
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	\$217 17

JULY.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$140 00
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AUGUST.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$213 75
E. W. Chase, bill of wood,	10 00
H. R. Worthington, bill of iron pipe,	33 66
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	\$257 41

SEPTEMBER.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and firemen,	\$129 75
E. H. Kellogg, bill cylinder oil,	58 00
Wilkins & Lyman, freight on oil,	90
Drew & Conger, bill of ice,	8 00
Linsley & Co., bill of waste,	88
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	\$197 53

OCTOBER.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$128 25
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill repairs,	1 35
E. W. Chase, bill wood,	2 00
E. W. Peck & Co., bill cement,	4 00
C. Blodgett, Son & Co., bill lumber,	12 79
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	\$148 39

NOVEMBER.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and firemen,	\$122 75
Jas. E. Russell, repairing chimney and boiler,	79 75
B. S. Nichols & Co., fire brick,	39 35
“ “ repairing pumps,	14 05
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	\$255 90

DECEMBER.

To Paid Monthly Pay Roll, engineer and fireman,	\$155 25
J. W. & H. W. Brown, bill of brick,	17 12
E. W. Chase, bill of wood,	12 00
H. S. White, bill of oil,	2 70
Ira Russell & Co., bill of oil, &c.,	7 10
National Express Co.,	8 35

To Paid E. W. Peck & Co., bill of cement,	1 26
B. S. Nichols & Co., bill of repairs,	10 35
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	\$214 13
Total amount for Pumping Expenses,	\$8,723 88

DISBURSEMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION.

JANUARY.

To Paid Joel W. Thomas, for plank on coal shed,	\$14 50
Guy N. Willard, for stone for pier,	33 75
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	\$48 25

FEBRUARY.

To Paid Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co., bill, in 1874,	\$1,401 94
" " " bal. in 1873,	37 50
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	\$1,439 44

APRIL.

To Paid G. K. Paul & Co., bill of S. and W. cocks,	\$40 81
W. & D. G. Crane, bill of stop boxes,	18 75
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	\$59 56

MAY.

To Paid E. W. Peck & Co., bill of cement,	\$6 00
Union Water Meter Co., bill of stops and bands,	43 00
W. & D. G. Crane, bill of boxes,	50 50
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	\$99 50

JUNE.

To Paid Nash & Wardlow, bill repairs,	\$2 00
George K. Paul, bill pipe, &c.,	84 79
B. S. Nichols & Co, bill hydrants,	122 00
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	\$208 79

JULY.

To Paid A. Smith & Co., bill of pipe,	\$35 93
W. & D. G. Crane, bill of lumber,	25 25
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	\$61 18

OCTOBER.

To paid Patent Water & Gas Pipe Co., for balance due them on pipe laid in 1874,	288 00
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NOVEMBER.

To paid B. S. Nichols & Co., for 2 hydrants,	100 00
W. & D. G. Crane, for hydrant box,	6 50
Patent Water & Gas Pipe Co., for twine,	7 50
Union Water Meter Co., for stops and bands,	51 60
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	165 60

DECEMBER.

To paid Brink & Co., box and gate caps,	64 44
Total amount for construction,	2 434 76

RECAPITULATION.

Disbursements for Current Expenses,	5 086 25
Disbursements for Pumping Expenses,	8 723 88
Disbursements for Construction,	2 434 76
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	16 244 89
Less, error in pay rolls,	\$15 50
“ “ Tyler's bill,	1 90
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	17 40
Total Disbursements,	<hr/>
	16,227 49
Balance on hand,	165 19
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	\$16,392 68

The amount of water pumped from January 1st	
to December 31, 1875,	236,058,625 gals.
Pumped during same time last year,	182,300,429 "
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Excess, this year, over last year, is	53,758,196 gals.
Total of current expenses and pumping,	\$13,810 13
Interest on bonded debt,	14,694 00
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Total for the year,	\$28,504 13
Received for Water Rates, 1875,	\$16,149 19
Uncollected " "	1,274 00
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	17,423 19
Deficiency, .	11,080 94
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	\$28,504 13

Which shows the Water Works does not pay running expenses and interest on bonded debt, into the above amount, \$11,080 94.

E. JOHNSON, Superintendent.

We have examined the vouchers presented by Elmore Johnson, Superintendent of Water Works, from January 1, 1874, to January 1, 1875, and find them correct, except clerical errors amounting to \$17.40, which have been adjusted.

In examination of his accounts, we find that he has no vouchers for his Pay Rolls, and several small accounts. We advise that, in future, the Superintendent be required to furnish vouchers in full for all expenditures made by him.

N. PARKER,	} Auditors.
M. MULQUEEN,	
H. H. DOOLITTLE,	

Burlington, Jan. 19, 1876.

We have laid 150 feet iron pipe on Battery Street, between College and Main Streets; 400 feet iron pipe over the Railroad Tunnel; have changed all the service pipes from the old to the new pipe on Main Street, between Church and Battery Streets; changed the hydrants at the corner of College and St. Paul and Pine Streets; put in a new hydrant corner of North and Winooski Avenue.

We have re-placed very many of the early set service, gate and hydrant boxes.

I have added 38 service pipes during the year.

INVOICE OF STOCK AND TOOLS ON HAND.

20 pieces ten in., 2 pieces six in., 6 pieces four in., iron pipe ;
 1 four in. and 2 ten in. Ts ; 1 twelve in. and 1 four in. elbows ; 3
 pieces flange pipe ; 10 pigs of lead ; 1 set new plungers and sleeves ;
 1 Donkey pump ; 4 galls. sperm oil ; 25 galls. cylinder oil ; 350
 tons coal ; 1 set Miners scales ; 1 hoisting derrick ; 1 coal car ; 1
 pair buckets ; 1 wagon ; 1 sleigh ; 1 set traverse runners ; 1 har-
 ness ; 1 tool cart ; 1 tool box ; 1 ladder ; 1 steam boiler ; 3 water
 metres ; 1 forge ; 4 stoves ; 1 stove-kettle ; lot fittings ; 15 wrenches ;
 4 pairs pipe tongs ; 1 steel bar ; 4 cold chisels ; 3 fire rakes ; 4
 lamps ; 5 lanterns ; 2 pails ; 200 feet small hose ; 130 feet large
 hose ; 1 reducer ; 2 hydrants . 6 hydrant wrenches ; 6 shovels ; 5
 pick axes : 2 iron bars ; 1 work bench ; 2 pipe and 2 bench vices ;
 12 drills ; 1 sledge hammer ; 1 hand saw ; brace and bits ;
 hatchet ; plane ; chisel ; screwdriver ; level ; 2 draw shaves ; pair
 long and pair short shears ; 1 pipe cutter ; set packing tools ; 2
 hooks and rachets ; 4 solder irons ; 1 solder pot ; 1 pair gas nippers ;
 1 wheelbarrow ; 1 differential pulley ; 1 grindstone ; 2 pumps ; 2
 large and 5 small rakes ; 2 long augers ; 500 feet galv. pipe ; 10
 service and 2 gate caps ; 1 hose neck ; 10 pipe drills and brace ; 1
 pair steps ; 1 set pulley blocks and rope ; 1 bench stake ; 2 iron
 ladles ; 1 desk and fixtures.

ELMORE JOHNSON, Superintendent.

REPORT

OF THE

CITY TREASURER.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
BURLINGTON, December 31, 1875. }

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN:—Your Treasurer submits the following report :

BILLS PAYABLE—WATER BONDS.

Total amount issued,	\$255,000 00
Less cancelled by sinking fund,	10,100 00
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Balance outstanding,	\$244,900 00

BILLS PAYABLE—IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

Total amount issued,	\$35,000 00
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BILLS PAYABLE—IN AID OF BURLINGTON & LA-MOILLE R. R.

Total amount issued,	\$160,000 00
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Total bonded debt outstanding,	\$439,900 00

NOTE.—Sinking Fund, 30,587⁸⁷.

BILLS PAYABLE—LOANS.

RECEIPTS.

From balance from late account, Dec. 31, 1874,	\$14,234 22
“ temporary loans,	41,500 00
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	\$55,734 22

DISBURSEMENTS.

To paid temporary loans,	war. 867	\$41,500 00
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BURLINGTON WATER WORKS—CONSTRUCTION.

RECEIPTS.

From amount of late account, Dec. 31, 1874,	\$455 47
“ Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co., for balance,	41 45
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	\$496 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

To amount of late account, Dec. 31, 1874,	\$249,090 54
Paid Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co., war. 65,	1,439 44
Amount transferred to credit of P.W. and G.P.Co.,	130 00
E. Johnson, Supt., Jan. to June,	416 10
John Collins, for blasting in 1873, 177,	16 00
E. Johnson, Supt., for July,	61 18
“ “ P. W. and G. P. Co.,	288 00
“ “ November and December,	230 04
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	\$251,671 30

BURLINGTON WATER WORKS—CURRENT EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

From E. Johnson, Supt., balance of 1874,	\$ 157 28
Collections of water rates for 1874,	2,271 44
“ “ “ 1875,	16,149 19
City Tax to balance,	10,520 56
H. S. White, grass on reservoir lot, 1874-5,	40 00
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	\$29,138 47

DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. Johnson, Supt., current expenses,	\$5,086 25
“ “ pumping “	8,723 88
271 persons water rates refunded for frozen mains,	
	war. 372, 634 34
Interest account on water bonds,	14,694 00
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	\$29,138 47

BURLINGTON WATER WORKS—PUMPING.

RECEIPTS.

From transfer to Burlington Water Works current,	\$8,723 88
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. Johnson, Supt.,	\$8,723 88
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BURLINGTON & LAMOILLE R. R.

DISBURSEMENTS.

For this amount in City Bonds, payable in twenty years, for one thousand, six hundred shares of capital stock,	\$160,000 00
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GEORGE W. BECKWITH, SUPERINTENDENT.

RECEIPTS.

From Sewer Department for lowering sewer on College street, between St. Paul and Church streets,	\$ 583 69
Sewer Department, for constructing sewer on College street, between Church street and Ravine, east,	1,148 48
Filling pond south of Post Office,	405 42
Sewer Department, for construction on Win. Ave.,	1,202 92
City Park, for permanent improvements,	1,399 61
Battery Park, for permanent repairs,	40 57
Public Buildings, for grading and repairing steps,	172 63
Willard street extension construction,	618 82
Town of Colchester, one-fifth repairs on Win. bridge,	60 02
Street Department, for general repairs,	7,007 99
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	\$12,640 15

DISBURSEMENTS.

To cash per receipt,	\$12,640 15
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CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS—LAKE VIEW CEMETERY.

RECEIPTS.

From D. Lyon, Commissioner, on deposit,	\$ 600 00
Interest on Hatch fund,	3 00
D. Lyon, Commissioner, sales of burial lots,	\$1,440 91
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	\$2,043 91

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1874,	\$ 211 27
Paid D. Lyon, Commissioner, on deposit,	300 00
“ “ “ interest on Hatch fund,	6 00
“ “ “ on receipts of burial	
lots,	1,440 91
“ Burlington Water Works,	100 00
“ School Department, rent for 1875 on Glebe No. 10,	15 00
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	\$2,073 18

CITY HALL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, Treasurer, Hall rent,	\$889 50
H. S. White & Son, store rent,	300 00
G. M. Peterson, store rent,	300 00
Liquor Agency, store rent,	200 00
City Tax to balance,	33 46
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	\$1,722 96

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To L. Austin, making gates,	5	42 34
H. Roby Bros., bill repairs,	28	12 88
G. I. Hagar, bill hardware,	56	10 84
W. & D. G. Crane, bill lumber,	55	19 60
Wheelock & Griffin, bill repairs,	54	25 99
Ripley & Holton, bill hardware,	81	1 68
Burlington Gas Light Co., bill gas,	73	80 37
G. L. Linsley, bill wood,	68	5 25
S. K. Wells' Estate, bill coal,	71	14 50
Burlington Gas Light Co., bill gas,	157	37 19
R. Scott, bill papering,	162	6 44

To J. E. Spence, bill painting,	162	6 62
Jules Desjardins, bill repairs,	162	24 64
C. Blodgett, Son & Co.; bill lumber,	162	21 19
A. Stone, whitewashing and plastering,	162	30 38
Brink & Co., bill iron posts and column,	163	81 00
G. L. Linsley, bill coal,		152 59
Jules Desjardins, bill repairs,	184	37 44
Adsit & Bigelow, bill coal,	187	54 00
G. L. Linsley, bill coal,	185	7 50
A. G. Strong, bill hardware,	188	17 39
T. W. Fisher & Co., bill paper,	186	9 12
Nash & Wardlow, bill repairs,	182	27 30
Wheelock & Griffin, bill repairs,	183	12 70
Z. T. Austin, bill repairs,	215	4 71
Burlington Gas Light Co., bill gas,	250	70 09
Walker, Bros. & Co., bill repairing steps,	238	76 43
Superintendent of Streets, for work done around building,	254	172 63
A. G. Lucas & Son, bill glazing,	217	7 00
Vt. Mutual Insurance Co., insurance,	302	56 25
J. E. Spence, for painting,	281	8 48
G. W. Hindes, for insurance,	299	50 00
Burlington Water Works,	366	24 00
G. D. Weller, janitor,	364	360 00
Roby Bros., repairs,	344	18 90
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	349	53 44
Incidental Expenses,	374	36 04
P. T. Sweet, for repairs,	343	7 30
A. G. Lucas & Son, for glazing,	357	6 92
“ “ “	384	5 95
Wheelock & Griffin, for repairs.	382	25 87

\$1,722 96

CITY REAL ESTATE.

RECEIPTS.

From Sale of House and lot on North Avenue,	\$2,800 00
City Tax 1874, balance,	19,936 30
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	\$22,736 30

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance from late account Dec. 31, 1874,		\$12,971 90
Amount transferred to credit of School Houses		
on North and Union Streets,		26,613 57
L. C. Dodge, for House and lot on North Av.		3,045 00
Louis Germain, balance on land for Star		
Hose House,		212 40
J. W. Kelly, on act, Barne's Hose House,		138 40
L. C. Dodge, for land on North Avenue,		450 00
Catharine Hughes, on account of land for		
Barnes Hose House,		50 00
L. & Z. T. Austin, for building Hospital on		
Poor Farm,	361	1,731 20
Lowry & Montgomery, for painting Hospital,	379	30 00
Ripley & Holton, for paints for Hospital,	377	23 53
Alger & Greene, for insurance "	383	6 50
E. C. Ryer, for plan of Hospital,	356	10 00
Drew & Perry, carriages for Committee to		
Hospital,	391	10 00
Amount transferred from Fire Department,		
For repairs on Howard Hose House,		414 40
The Same, on Hook and Ladder Room,		452 43
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		\$46,159 33

CITY MARKET.

RECEIPTS.

From L. Underwood, for rent,		\$300 00
Dan. Barnes, "		5 00
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		\$305 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Vermont Mutual Insurance Company,	302	\$22 50
Incidental Department,		282 50
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		\$305 00

CITY TAXES 1873-4.

RECEIPTS.

From Balance January 1, 1875,		\$19,082 80
H. S. White, Collector, on 1873,		79 03
" " on 1874,		827 71
City Treasnrer, for collections 1874,		3 20
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		\$19,992 74

Note due from H. S. White, constable, \$1,702 06.

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To G. B. Freeman, Dog Tax 1874, refunded,	1	\$1 85
A. Truman, " " "	86	1 85
E. S. Peck, error " "	90	3 70
Ed. Sheridan, not 21, " "	144	4 50
P. Ward, duplicate, " "	148	4 52

	1874, Tax refunded	WAR.	
To Geo. Towle, not 21,	" "	298	4 52
F. Woodworth, error	" "	323	18 50
J. W. Carpenter, error	1873, "	280	17 00
Amount transferred to Real Estate,			19,936 30
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			\$19,992 74

CITY HIGHWAY AND SCHOOL TAXES, 1875.—COLLECTIONS.

RECEIPTS.

From Collections by City Treasurer,	\$92,205 11
" by H. S. White, constable.	6,000 00
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	\$98,205 11

Note—due from H. S. White, collector, \$9,200 00.

DISBURSEMENTS.

	Tax refunded,	WAR.	AMOUNT.
To Kilburn & Gates,		201	440 00
Dan. Murray, error in	"	202	34 02
Rich'd Dugan, Poll	"	222	5 00
W. S. Vincent, error in	"	223	4 50
T. Downer, Dog	"	221	2 70
Jas. Hallihan, Poll	"	266	5 40
Dennis O'Dea, Dog	"	265	2 70
W. H. H. Barker, error in	"	292	82 35
Winooski Lumb.Co.error in	"	321	13 50
G. A. Fuller, Poll	"	320	6 00
A. B. Simonds, error in	"	318	3 24
F. H. Simonds & Co., error	"	322	47 25
O. P. Currier, error in	"	317	10 39
S. R. Wager, Dog	"	315	2 70
A. S. Mears, Poll	"	311	5 40
H. O. Clark, error in	"	319	20 25

	WAR.	
To L. L. Lawrence, Fireman Poll Tax refunded	325	5 00
W. Cubit, " "	325	5 00
John Doxey, " "	325	5 27
Henry R. Hill, " "	325	5 27
E. Fitzgerald, " "	325	5 27
C. H. Ferguson, " "	325	5 27
C. H. Powers, " "	325	5 00
B. W. Thomas, " "	325	5 27
T. E. Dooley, " "	325	5 27
Jas. Skahan " "	325	5 27
George B. Freeman, Poll " "	327	5 40
S. M. Pope, error in List, " "	352	73 02
Lawrence Barnes, error in List, " "	393	135 00
City Tax for Collections,		71,395 70
Highway Tax for Collections,		7,138 77
School Tax for Collections,		17,848 93
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		\$97,340 11

CITY TAX—1875.

RECEIPTS.

From collections, \$71,395 70

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Pauper Department,	Appropriation, \$	6,500 00
Street Light Department,	"	2,500 00
Fletcher Free Library,	"	2,500 00
Sinking fund,	"	4,000 00
Criminal Department,	"	3,000 00
Fire Department,	"	3,500 00
Interest account, improvement bonds,	"	2,100 00
" B. & L.R.R. "	"	9,600 00
Parks—City and Battery,	"	1,000 00
Fletcher Free Library,	"	500 00

To Willard St. extension, land damages, Appropriation,	\$3,484 00
“ “ construction, “	185 82
Pauper Department, “	1,104 46
Interest account, “	2,927 41
Burlington Water Works, current, “	10,520 56
City Hall Department, “	33 46
Incidental Department, “	7,320 68
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	\$60,776 39

TOWN OF COLCHESTER.

DISBURSEMENTS

To G. W. Beckwith, Supt., for one-fifth of repairs on Winooski bridge in 1875,	\$60 02
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CRIMINAL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From City Tax appropriation,	\$3,000 00
M. R. Tyler, Judge of City Court, fines and costs,	873 79
J. B. Hollenbeck, Justice, “ “	21 02
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police, for mittimusses,	133 73
H. S. White, Constable, “	33 12
H. Halo, Policeman, “	62 02
E. H. Blush, “ “	12 03
Mathew Collins, “ “	11 63
F. S. Francis, “ “	21 53
O. Lamora, “ “	18 51
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	\$3,687 38

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To J. B. Hollenbeck, Justice, for costs,	11	\$ 22 92
M. R. Tyler, Judge, “	29	349 01
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police, for services,	31	480 50
“ Sheriff, board of prisoners,	30	413 00
Burlington Gas Light Co., bill of gas,	74	28 64
John McNamara, police services,	125	4 50
F. S. Francis, “	114	2 20
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police, for services,	129	593 00
M. R. Tyler, Judge, for costs,	126	119 24
Burlington Gas Light Co., bill of gas,	158	13 68
G. L. Linsley, bill of coal,	214	58 40
M. R. Tyler, Judge, for costs,	206	392 57
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police, for services,	207	612 00
L. & Z. T. Austin, for repairs,	229	22 11
M. R. Tyler, Judge, for costs,	306	250 42
L. A. Drew, Chief of Police, for services,	307	718 00
“ “ Badges,	224	17 50
Burlington Water Works,		8 00
Lander, \$1, Murphy, \$1, fines remitted,	371	2 00
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		\$4,107 69

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From Ethan Allen Engine Co. No. 4, for 7 months' rent	
in Merchants National Bank Building,	\$58 33
City Tax Appropriation,	3,500 00
Transfer to Real Estate for work on Howard Hose	
House,	414 40
The Same, on Hook and Ladder Room,	452 43
Cash received of E. M. Sutton, not expended on	
Hose House,	1 77
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	\$4,426 93

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To Star Hose Co., No. 2, for current expenses,	12	16 75
Merchants National Bank, bill rent,	7	50 00
Clipper Hose Co. No. 6, for current expenses,	18	16 10
Barnes Hose Co., No. 7, “	17	21 25
Ethan Allen Engine Co. No. 4, “	20	28 60
Boxer Engine Co. No. 3, “	19	7 77
A. G. Lucas & Son, bill glazing,	24	5 08
H. Roby Bros., hanging bell,	28	15 00
Wheelock & Griffin, for Star Hose Co., No. 2,	53	9 52
J. W. Kelly, rent Barnes Hose Co.,	87	50 00
Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., rope for Hook and Ladder No. 1,	69	9 35
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, current expenses,	128	50 00
Ethan Allen Engine Co. 4, “	127	45 43
Boxer Engine Co. No. 3, “	142	121 53
Merchants National Bank, bill rent,	116	33 33
Clipper Hose Co. No. 6, current expenses,	143	14 65
Barnes Hose Co. No. 7, “	141	31 84
Star Hose Co. No. 2, “	147	22 75
Boxer Engine Co., No. 3, “	142	10 00
J. F. Dowsing, ringing alarms,	153	15 00
G. F. Morse, “	154	15 00
Howard Hose House, repairs,	140	154 57
Lowry & Co., painting, H. & L. No. 1 room,	244	37 15
Nash & Wardlow, gas fitting, “ “	244	46 70
Alex. Crosby, iron work, “ “	244	52 13
Walker & Hatch, doors, &c., “ “	244	26 79
H. S. Lane, repairs, “ “	244	5 00
A. G. Strong, hardware, “ “	244	6 50
Ethan Allen Engine Co. No. 4, curr't expenses,	241	62 57
Barnes Hose Co. No. 7, bill repairs,	243	59 06
Winooski Lum. Co., ladders for H. & L. No. 1,	259	105 60
Walker Bros. & Co., repairs steps, “	261	51 00
Star Hose Co. No. 2, current expenses,	288	26 60
Barnes Hose Co. No. 7, “	260	27 05

	WAR.	
To Boxer Engine Co. No. 3, current expenses,	262	58 83
Clipper Hose Co. No. 6, “	240	8 05
B. S. Nichols & Co., repairs,	235	25 50
Howard Hose House, repairs,	255	260 13
N. Allen, caps and belts for engineers,	272	59 06
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, current expenses,	273	45 73
Ethan Allen Engine Co. No. 4, “	274	40 10
Howard Hose Co. No. 5, “	276	56 29
Star Hose Co. No. 2, “	289	28 45
A. Mossey, work on H. & L. Room,	279	20 00
C. E. Lombard, for lanterns,	278	30 19
Queen City Band, annual parade,	275	50 00
E. Johnson, work on H. & L. Room,	277	85 75
J. F. Dowsing, ringing alarms,	312	10 00
Boxer Engine Co. No. 3, current expenses,	314	54 75
Barnes Hose Co. No. 7, “	316	31 11
G. F. Morse, ringing alarms,	313	8 00
Allen Fire Department Supply Co.	338	105 00
Burlington Water Works,		1,200 00
Ethan Allen Engine Co. No. 4, current exp.	335	90 64
A. Crosby, repairs H. & L. No. 1,	342	14 00
Shepard, Davis & Co., lumber for H. & L. Room,	291	31 90
Lowry & Montgomery, painting for Star Hose,	380	3 10
Ripley & Holton, for paints,	278	22 74
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, current exp.	386	73 87
Townsend & Hill, repairs for Star Hose Co.	381	21 71
Andrew Stone, repairs for H. & L. No. 1.	310	80 51
Boxer Engine Co. No. 3, current,	387	50 00
“ “ “	402	36 28
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, “	400	5 00
Star Hose Co. No. 2, “	404	43 35
Howard Hose Co. No. 5, “	403	21 00
Clipper Hose Co. No. 6, “	401	13 00

\$3,933 71

FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

From balance, Dec. 31, 1874,	\$ 415 73
City Tax appropriation,	2,500 00
“ “	500 00
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	\$3,415 73

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To P. T. Sweet, for Stove and Plumbing,	23	\$105 50
Paid Miss H. H. Ames,	16	90 00
Chas. Dublois, painting,	27	5 58
Miss H. H. Ames,	43	90 00
“ “	61	90 00
Burlington Gas Light Co.	75	16 25
Whitcomb & Fuller, insurance,	95	35 00
L. Austin, making book cases,	3	85 00
“ joiner work,	4	31 90
Ripley & Holton, hardware and paints,	60	17 79
E. C. Ryer, plan of gallery,	52	10 00
Lyman Austin, building gallery,	67	840 00
Paul T. Sweet, gas fitting,	117	19 51
Wheelock & Griffin, gas fitting, &c.,	133	94 85
G. I. Hagar, hardware,	133	4 15
Shepard, Davis & Co., boards,	133	1 96
H. M. Mitchell,	94	1 38
S. K. Wells, for coal,	70	14 50
Allen & Stone, for cushions,	134	6 50
E. H. Payn, “ stamp,	134	8 50
Peck Bros., “ matt,	134	2 50
J. A. Cummings, for paper and printing,	134	53 50
Miss H. H. Ames,	118	90 00

	WAR.	
To A. G. Strong, hardware,	26	2 42
Miss H. H. Ames,	155	180 00
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	159	6 41
G. L. Linsley, for coal,	214	84 70
Miss H. H. Ames,	175	90 00
S. Huntington & Co., for stationery,	190	29 19
Adsit & Bigelow, for coal,		8 00
Nash & Wardlow, repairs,	182	6 72
T. S. Peck, insurance on books,	245	17 50
G. W. Hindes, " "	245	21 00
Miss H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	245	90 00
A. G. Lucas & Son, glazing,	215	3 50
T. P. W. Rogers, paid advertising,	245	3 00
Lockwood, Brooks & Co., for stamps,	245	28 00
M. Thompson & Co., printing,	245	21 50
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	252	5 13
G. W. Hindes, insurance on books,	233	35 00
Miss H. H. Ames, on catalogue,		90 00
T. P. W. Rogers, Librarian, 12 mo., to Dec. 31, 1875,		800 00
T. S. Peck, insurance on books,	284	17 50
Vt. Mutual Insurance Co.,	302	18 75
T. P. W. Rogers, Librarian, current expenses,	293	35 94
Miss H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	296	90 00
Alger & Greene, insurance,	301	9 50
Burlington Water Works,		5 00
Lockwood, Brooks & Co.,	333	33 15
T. P. W. Rogers, Librarian, current expenses,	332	29 25
Miss H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	334	180 00
Mark Thompson, printing,	330	17 75
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	350	27 79
L. & Z. T. Austin, repairs,	297	5 66
T. P. W. Rogers, Librarian, current expenses,	398	28 20
Miss H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	399	90 00

\$3,824 93

GREEN MOUNT CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.

RECEIPTS.

From R. H. Start, City Attorney, costs collected of Edgcomb & Walker.	\$55 50
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance, December 31, 1874,	\$281 35
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HIGHWAYS LAND DAMAGES AND CONSTRUCTION.

RECEIPTS.

From Mrs. Ellen D. Brooks, assessment extension Wil- lard Street,	\$50 00
City Tax Appropriation,	3,484 00
City Tax to balance,	185 82
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	\$3,719 82

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance, January 1, 1875,		\$80 00
Chas. Russell, extension Willard Street,	78	500 00
L. De Goesbriand, "	79	200 00
N. B. Shortsleeve, "	92	200 00
A. F. Bakor, "	93	100 00
F. L. Washburn, "	91	250 00
Mrs. E. L. Platt, "	135	1,771 00
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., bal. appropriation,		433 00
" Mayor's warrant,	326	185 82
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		\$3,719 82

IMPROVEMENT OF STREETS AND SEWERS.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Street Department, balance December 31, 1874,	\$18,750 00
To Sewer " " "	16,250 00
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	\$35,000 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

From Bank Account on Deposits,	\$304 15
City Taxes to balance,	2,927 41
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	\$3,231 56

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Interest on Temporary Loans,	\$943 00
Interest on U. S. Deposit Fund to School Dept.,	1,747 39
" to Sinking Fund Account,	517 90
" to South Burlington on U. S. D. Fund,	23 27
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	\$3,231 56

INTEREST ACCOUNT—WATER BONDS.

RECEIPTS.

From Amount transferred to Burlington Water Works,	\$14,694 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To Ninth National Bank, Interest July 1, 1875,	\$7,347 00
" " January 1, 1876,	7,347 00
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	\$14,694 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT—IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

RECEIPTS.

From City Tax Appropriation,	\$2,100 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To Ninth National Bank, Interest July 1, 1875,	\$1,050 00
“ “ January, 1, 1876,	1,050 00
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	\$2,100 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT—BONDS IN AID OF B. & L. RAIL-ROAD.

RECEIPTS.

From City Tax Appropriation,	\$9,600 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To Ninth National Bank, Interest October 1, 1875,	\$4,800 00
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INCIDENTAL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From State Treasurer for boarding transient paupers in jail,	64 25
L. L. Lawrence City Attorney, in suit Woodhouse and others vs. City of Burlington, (College St. Sewer),	154 74
Town of Colchester, 1-5 of Insurance on bridges.	9 22
Drew & Perry for rye on Vickery place,	20 00
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., for paid Engineer on sewers,	22 00
Liquor Agency profits and loss,	436 74

From License Department collections,	735 27
City Market for Rent,	282 50
City tax to balance,	7,320 68
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	9,045 40

DISBURSEMENTS.

To W. H. Root, making rate bill,	9	100 00
W. Scott, binding,	10	39 50
A. P. Grinnell, Health officer,	15	187 25
E. H. Phelps, Engineer,	13	160 40
Roby Bros., putting up flag staff,	28	20 00
J. C. Clark, registration returns,	39	27 80
W. H. Root, general Index &c.,	40	85 40
H. L. Dodge, return births and deaths,	41	67 80
M. Mulqueen, Auditor,	35	25 00
J. E. Montmarquette, vaccination,	37	72 50
St. Mary's band, reception E. A. Engine Co.,		
No. 4;	45	25 00
P. J. Kent, vaccinations,	36	24 75
Mrs. John Quinn, injury by defective high-		
way,	50	65 00
R. H. Start, City Attorney, bill fees,	57	352 08
S. W. Mead, damage to sleigh,	34	11 25
A. P. Grinnell, Health officer (special)	51	255 00
John Smullins removing trees,	59	7 00
M. A. Evarts, Auditor,	58	13 75
W. L. Burnap, legal services Pest House,	62	10 00
W. Scott, binding &c,	72	62 11
R. S. Styles & Son, printing Reports,	76	296 67
Mark Thompson "	44 & 85	13 00
E. H. Phelps, Engineer.	84	15 00
A Prouty. damage to sleigh,	49	15 00
H. H. Langdon, vaccinations,	106	63 87
P. J. Kent, vaccinations,	98	28 00

To W. B. Lund, vaccinations,	100	111 00
H. H. Atwater, "	101	94 25
C. P. Thayer, "	102	84 25
J. E. Montmarquette, vaccinations,	103	102 25
S. Worcester, "	104	77 00
L. M. Bingham, "	96	59 00
H. Crandall, "	97	68 00
H. A. Crandall, "	99	56 50
A. Colvin, "	105	35 00
John Ready, damage to sleigh,	88	8 75
C. F. Clark, repairing furniture in court room	63	10 00
J. O Northrop costs vs. City,	89	17 68
Hatch, Lithographic Co., Eng. Bonds,	124	95 00
W. H. Root, Clerk Office Expense,	121	14 45
R. S. Styles & Son, printing for Assessors,	122	44 78
A. N. Merchant, "	123	38 75
Free Press Association, "	119	70 00
Winooski Lumber Co. Grade stakes,	107	8 36
Mark Thompson, printing,	120	11 50
Witters, Fay and Small commissioners,		
Platt vs. City,	132	75 00
E. S. Peck, vaccinations,	130	64 50
D. C. Barber & Co., rent, Ward election	110	5 00
H. J. Nelson, desk and chairs, Mayors office	109	38 00
J. Black, damage to wagon,	126	5 00
A. P. Grinnell, Health officer,	146	85 00
P. McCaffrey, damage on Main Street,	139	14 55
Mark Thompson, printing,	138	14 00
H. S. White, Constable fees,	137	40 93
Townsend & Hill, filling College Street,	149	100 00
W. B. Lund, attendance, Small pox patient,	161	12 00
H. H. Davis stationery for Assessors,	152	3 65
W. Gibbs, expense Decoration day,	171	150 00
S. Huntington & Co., stationery,	190	51 56
Free Press Association, printing and adv.,	189	45 50
M. Mulqueen, assessor,	172	316 00
W. H. Root, making tax book &c.,	181	109 60

To Mark Thompson, printing,	194	46 60
F. J. Hendee, assessor,	174	212 00
A. N. Merchant, printing,	193	28 25
R. S. Style, printing,	192	16 65
Prof. P. Collier, analysis of water,	195	30 00
Wales and Taft, attorney fees,	208	44 00
Mrs. R. N. Taylor, injury to person on walk,	203	75 00
H. A. Crandall, medical services,	209	12 00
A. G. Watson, assessor,	173	264 00
Walker Bros., & Co., street monuments,	239	8 75
W. E. Weller, clerk in ward 4,	233	6 00
W. H. Lee, " " 3,	230	6 00
C. P. Thayer, health officer,	236	25 00
W. S. Farmer, clerk in ward 2,	232	6 00
G. T. Smith, " " 1,	231	6 00
H. H. Davis, stationery,	226	6 50
Dan. Lyon, Cemetery Commissioner for Locust Street,	220	25 00
E. H. Phelps, engineer for surveys,	286	109 00
Converse & Cushman, for ice,	282	8 00
W. Scott, books and binding,	285	44 58
Vt. Mutual Insurance Co., on bridges,	302	24 48
Mark Thompson, printing,	290	17 00
Free Press Association, advertising,	308	17 50
A. Corey, damage to horse on Winooski Av.	328	5 00
Burlington Water Works, water for 10 watering troughs,	\$250 00	
City Park Fountain,	25 00	
Battery "	25 00	
College "	25 00	
Street Sprinkler,	50 00	366 375 00
C. H. Blodgett, Mayor, salary for 1874,	362	500 00
" " on acct. for 1875,	362	375 00
W. H. Root, clerk, salary to Dec. 25, 1875,	362	800 00
G. D. Weller, treasurer, " "	362	1,000 00
A. N. Merchant, advertising,	339	39 30
W. H. Root, making assessments, &c.,	324	41 55

To C. S. Kinsley, advertising,	340	7 50
Mark Thompson, printing for City Atty.	331	13 25
G. W. Beckwith, clerk in ward 5.	234	6 00
A. J. Howard, Clerk, for copies in suit Woodhouse and others vs. City,		11 50
J. McDonald, repairing wagon damaged on Union street,		6 00
City Treasurer, office expenses,		34 07
R. H. Start, City Attorney, for attorney fees in suit Woodhouse and others vs. City,	369	104 25
Attorney fees in Hospital on No. Avenue,	369	105 00
“ “ W. L. Strong vs. City,	369	67 00
“ “ Incidental account,	369	9 00
W. W. Atwater, advertising,	340	2 00
Richard Cushing, damage to House by bursting of water pipe,	370	75 00
S. Huntington & Co., for stationery,	385	27 73
L. L. Lawrence, attorney fees Barker vs. City,	354	15 00
Treasurer Manufacturers Union,	392	150 00
R. S. Styles & Son, for printing,	395	13 50
“ “ “	21	18 75
W. McCarty, damages done by city team,	14	3 00
Jas. McKenzie, “ to team on Union St.,	32	3 00
A. Zeese & Co., for stereotype cut for City,	22	19 75
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		\$9,045 40

ELMORE JOHNSON, SUPERINTENDENT.

RECEIPTS.

From Mayor's Warrants for current expenses,	\$5,086 25
“ construction,	2,434 76
“ pumping,	8,723 88
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	\$16,244 89

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Cash per receipts,	\$16,392 68
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LICENSE DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From Hotel Licenses,	\$65 00
Saloon “	430 77
Billiard “	91 50
Carriages “	35 00
Auctioneers “	18 00
Circus “	100 00
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	\$735 27

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Incidental Department,	\$735 27
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D. C. LINSLEY, SUPERINTENDENT.

RECEIPTS.

From Street Department, for Permanent Improvement of Streets,	\$393 34
The Same, for general repairs,	892 93
The Same, for construction Winooski Avenue,	24 75
The Same, for tools and stock,	7 23
The same, for Heineberg and Winooski bridges,	43 77
To Sewer Department, for construction,	322 43
for tools and stock,	7 24
City Park, for permanent improvement,	849 93
Cash to balance,	147 83
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	\$2,688 85

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance, December 31, 1874,	\$554 63
Cash for receipt.	\$2,100 00
Street Department, for collections 1874,	34 22
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	\$2,688 85

LIQUOR AGENCY, A. A. HARRINGTON, AGENT,

RECEIPTS.

From Sales Liquors per City Treasurer,	\$1,159 18
Invoice liquors to M. A. Evarts, agent,	1,710 94
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	\$2,870 12

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Liquors per Invoice Jan. 1, 1875,	WAR.	\$2,017 25
A. A. Harrington, agent, salary,	388	141 28
I. D. Richards & Son, for rum,	42 and 25	379 01
James A. Webb, for alcohol,	108	171 35
A. A. Harrington, for wine,	115	30 00
Freight bills,	167	30 80
Storage barrels,	388	4 50
Incidentals for agency,	388	4 50
City Hall Department, for rent,		80 58
Incidental account, profit and loss,		85
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		\$2,870 12

LIQUOR AGENCY—MILES A. EVARTS, Agent.

RECEIPTS.

From sales Liquor, paid City Treasurer,	\$3,556 17
Invoice liquor on hand,	1,390 61
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	\$4,946 78

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To Invoice liquors of A. A. Harrington, Agt ,	\$1,710	94
G. L. Linsley, bill of coal,	214	21 90
Irwin & McKelsey, bill of liquors,	204	544 50
I. D. Richards & Sons, bill of liquors,	166	92 83
Wells, Richardson & Co., " "	205	362 60
Burlington Gas Light Co., bill of gas,	251	13 25
Wells, Richardson & Co., bill of liquors,	242	274 65
" " "	263	115 43
" " "	309	350 04
Burlington Water Works, for water,		6 00
City Hall Department, for rent,		119 42
M. A. Evarts, Agt., seven months salary,		350 00
Wells, Richardson & Co., bill of liquors,	341	283 64
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	351	23 08
Freight and offices expenses,	389	27 71
Wells, Richardson & Co., bill of liquors,	390	204 90
Incidental account, profit and loss,		435 89
Insurance on liquors,	300	10 00
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		\$4,946 78

New account for 1876.

To balance for liquors on hand,	\$1,390 61
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MINISTERIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From collections on lease lands,	\$49 88
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. Barlow, Treas. 1st Cong. Society,	\$24 94
M. H. Stone, " 1st Calv. Cong. Society,	24 94
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	\$49 88

PARKS, CITY HALL AND BATTERY.

RECEIPTS.

From Balance December 31, 1874,	\$1,139 37
Tax Collections on List of 1874,	41 38
City Tax Appropriation,	1,000 00
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	\$2,180 75

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To D. C. Linsley, Supt., for permanent improvement City Park,		\$849 93
P. T. Sweet, repairing fountain City Park,	180	55 61
H. R. Wing, improvement Battery Park,		28 63
Walker Bros., curbing for City Park,	237	104 49
A. Taylor, setting trees in “	228	100 00
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., improv. Battery Park,		40 57
“ “ City “		1,399 61
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		\$2,578 84

COLLEGE PARK.

RECEIPTS.

From Balance December 31, 1874,	\$3 65
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PATENT GAS AND WATER PIPE CO.

RECEIPTS.

From Transfer to Burlington Water Works Construction,	\$130 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To Balance December 31, 1874,	\$130 00
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POOR DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From City Tax Appropriation,	\$6,500 00
City Tax to balance,	1,104 46
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	\$7,604 46

DISBURSEMENTS.

To A. B. Lowry, Overseer, Mayor's warrant	197	\$1,949 90
" " " "	216	718 75
" " " "	218	742 53
" " " "	264	900 00
" " " "	353	1,200 00
" " " "	373	2,093 28
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		\$7,604 46

NORTH AND UNION STREETS SCHOOL HOUSES.

RECEIPTS.

From Amount transferred to Real Estate for following items :

Amount paid for land on Union Street,	\$3,000 00
" " North Street,	2,045 11
Amount of loan from U. S. D. Fund,	14,234 22
Amount of sales of Smith Lane School House,	1,871 57
" " Maiden Lane "	2,000 00
" " Champlain St. "	1,962 67
" " Colchester Av. "	1,500 00
Amount transferred to School Department	3,269 47
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	\$29,883 04

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance of North St. School House, Dec. 31, 1874,	\$14,520 09
" Union St. " "	15,362 95
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	\$29,883 04

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From Balance of late account December 31, 1874,	\$4687 26
School Commissioners,	12,000 00
Tax collections for 1874,	405 40
“ for 1875,	17,848 93
Rent of Lease Lands,	183 23
Interest on U. S Deposit Fund,	1,747 39
Interest on \$1,400 in Water Bonds,	42 00
C. J Alger, Supt., for tuition, &c.,	49 10
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	\$36,963 31

DISBURSEMENTS.

To School Commissions' warrants for Pay Rolls,	\$16,650 04
“ “ Incidentals,	5,404 26
Amount transferred to School Houses,	3,269 47
School Commissioners' warrants for Loans,	13,897 98
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	\$39,221 75

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance December 31st, 1874,	\$1,415 71
Collections on College St., west of St. Paul,	649 00
“ “ bet. St. Paul and Church sts.,	254 75
“ “ bet. Church st. and ravine,	431 06
“ “ bet. Union and Willard sts ,	257 22
“ “ Winooski Avenue,	596 16
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	\$3,603 90

DISBURSEMENTS.

To D. C. Linsley, Supt., for construction in 1875,	\$322 43
“ “ “ “ tools and stock, 1875,	7 24
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1874,	451 28
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., for lowering College st. sewer between St. Paul and Church sts.,	583 69
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., for construction College st. sewer between Cuurch st. and ravine,	1,148 48
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., for filling pond, south of the Post Office, on J. N. Pomeroy's land	405 42
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., on account Winooski Avenue sewer,	1,202 92
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	\$4,121 46

SINKING FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From Balance December 31 1874,	8,631 70
Tax collections on list of 1874,	82 77
Interest account for 1875,	1,023 40
City Tax appropriation 1875,	4,000 00
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	13,737 87
Note.—There is belonging to this fund in City Bonds,	16,850 00
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ Cash,	13,737 87
“ “ Bonds Cancelled	10,100 00
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Total Sinking Fund,	40,687 87

STREET DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance, December 31, 1874,	\$1,196 41
H. S. White, Constable, on tax of 1874,	108 11
Transfer to Sewer Department, for tools and stock,	451 28
Collections on tax of 1874,	3 38
H. S. White, Constable, on tax of 1874,	54 06
City Treasurer, for collections on tax of 1875,	7,138 77
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., for coal,	21 90
“ “ paid Staniford,	10 50
D. C. Linsley, Supt., on collections,	34 22
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	\$9,018 63

DISBURSEMENTS.

To D. C. Linsley, Supt., for permanent improvements of		
	streets,	393 34
" " general repairs of streets,		892 93
" " construction on Win. Ave. near		
	Market,	24 75
" " tools and stock,		7 23
" " Heineberg and Winooski bridge,		43 17
G. L. Linsley, bill of coal for office, war.	214	21 90
C. F. Staniford, bill of repairs	" 178	10 50
G. W. Beckwith, Supt., general repairs of streets,		7,007 99
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		\$8,401 81

STREET LIGHT DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From balance, Dec. 31, 1874,	\$ 250 09
City Tax appropriation,	2,500 00
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	\$2,750 09

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To John Madigan, lighting lamps	8	\$ 47 08
G. F. Collison & Co., repairing lamps,	33	44 88
John Madigan, lighting lamps,	38	47 08
Ripley & Holton, bill of oil,	80	15 00
G. F. Collison & Co., repairing lamps,	83	11 33
John Madigan, lighting lamps,	82	47 08
Burlington Gas Light Co.,	72	374 62
John Madigan, lighting lamps,	111	47 08
Nash & Wardlow, repairing lamps,	77	1 31
G. F. Collison & Co., " "	131	24 80

To John Madigan, lighting	"	145	47	12
L. O. Thompson,	" "	150	25	00
Burlington Gas Light Co.,		156	322	18
G. F. Collison & Co., repairing lamps,		164	55	15
W. J. Langshore, lighting	"	160	63	31
Brink & Co., two lamp posts,		165	34	00
G. F. Collison & Co., repairing lamps,		196	65	54
Remi Bushman, lighting	"	176	6	67
W. J. Langshore, repairing	"	179	6	50
Remi Bushman, lighting	"	213	3	33
W. J. Langshore,	" "	246	126	50
Chas. E. Adams, for globes and frieght,		253	16	20
Globe Gas Light Co., lighting lamps,		227	110	85
Burlington Gas Light Co., gas bill,		249	425	25
Remi Bushman, lighting lamps,		247	3	33
W. J. Langshore,	" "	246	63	25
A. G. Lucas & Son, glazing	"	248	20	25
G. F. Collison & Co., repairing	"	237	50	07
W. J. Langshore, lighting	"	270	63	25
Remi Bushman,	" "	271	3	34
"	" "	305	3	34
W. J. Langshore,	" "	304	63	25
"	repairing "	303	16	92
"	lighting "	333	63	25
Burlington Gas Light Co.,		348	831	06
Brink & Co., for repairs,		337	10	60
W. J. Langshore, for lighting,		396	63	25
Remi Beaucheman,		397	5	00

\$2,228 02

BALANCE SHEET, DEC. 31, 1875.

	DISBURSE- MENTS.	RECEIPTS.	DR. BALANCE.	CR. BALANCE
Bills payable, water bonds	\$10,100 00	\$255,000 00		\$244,900 0
Bills payable, improvement bonds.....		35,000 00		35,000 0
Bills payable, loans	41,500 00	55,734 22		14,234 2
Bills payable, in aid of B. & L. R. R.		160,000 00		160,000 0
Burlington Water Works, construction..	251,671 30	496 92	251,174 38	
Burlington Water Works, current.....	29,138 47	29,138 47		
Burlington Water Works, pumping.....	8,723 88	8,723 88		
Burlington & Lamoille Railroad.....	160,000 00		160,000 00	
Beckwith, G. W., Supt.....	12,640 15	12,640 15		
Cemetery Commissioners.....	2,073 18	2,043 91	29 27	
City Hall Department.....	1,722 96	1,722 96		
City Real Estate.....	46,159 33	22,736 30	23,423 03	
City Market.....	305 00	305 00		
City Tax, 1874, collections.....	19,992 74	19,992 74		
City Highway and School Tax, col. 1875.	97,340 11	98,205 11		865 0
City Tax, 1875.....	60,776 39	71,395 70		10,619 3
Colchester, Town of.....	60 02		60 02	
Criminal Department.....	4,107 69	3,687 38	420 31	
Fire Department.....	3,933 71	4,426 93		493 2
Fletcher Free Library	3,824 93	3,415 73	409 20	
Green Mount Cemetery Association.....	281 35	55 50	225 85	
Highways, land damage and construction	3,719 82	3,719 82		
Improvement of Streets and Sewers.....	35,000 00		35,000 00	
Interest Account	3,231 56	3,231 56		
Interest Account, water bonds.....	14,694 00	14,694 00		
Interest Account, improvement bonds..	2,100 00	2,100 00		
Interest Account, aid bonds B. & L. R.R.	4,800 00	9,600 00		4,800 0
Incidental Department.....	9,045 40	9,045 40		
Johnson, Elmore, Supt.....	16,392 68	16,244 89	147 79	
License Department.....	735 27	735 27		
Linsley, D. C., Supt.....	2,688 85	2,688 85		
Liquor Agency, A. A. Harrington, agt..	2,870 12	2,870 12		
Liquor Agency, M. A. Evarts, agt.....	4,946 78	4,946 78		
" " new acct.	1,390 61		1,390 61	
Ministerial Fund.....	49 88	49 88		
Parks, City and Battery.....	2,578 84	2,180 75	398 09	
Park, College		3 65		3 65
Patent Water and Gas Pipe Co.....	130 00	130 00		
Poor Department.....	7,604 46	7,604 46		
School Houses, North and Union Sts....	29,883 04	29,883 04		
School Department	39,221 75	36,963 31	2,258 44	
Sewer Department	4,121 46	3,603 90	517 56	
Sinking Fund.....		13,737 87		13,737 87
Street Department.....	8,401 81	9,018 63		616 82
Street Light Department.....	3,228 02	2,750 09	477 93	
Cash Balance.....	9,337 61		9,337 61	
	960,523 17	960,523 17	485,270 09	485,270 09

G. D. WELLER, *City Treasurer.*

We have examined the foregoing statement of the City Treasurer, together with the vouchers for each department, and find the same correct.

N. PARKER,
M. MULQUEEN, } *Auditors.*
H. H. DOOLITTLE, }

Mayor's Estimates.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN :—I herewith submit to you a statement of the present assets and liabilities of the City, together with an estimate of the probable expenses for the year ensuing.

Balance in Treasury Jan. 1, 1876,	\$9,337 61
Uncollected Taxes for 1874,	1,702 06
“ “ 1875,	9,200 00
“ water rents, 1875,	1,274 00
Due from Green Mount Cemetery Association,	225 85
“ School Department,	2,258 44
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	\$23,997 96

Estimated receipts for ensuing year :

From Licenses,	\$ 700 00
“ Liquor Agency,	500 00
“ Rent from City Hall,	1,500 00
“ “ “ Market,	600 00
“ Criminal Department,	700 00
“ Water Rates,	17,000 00
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	\$21,000 00
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	\$44,997 96

LIABILITIES,

For Temporary Loans,	\$18,537 87
“ Water Works construction,	3,825 62
“ Street Department,	616 82
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	\$22,980 31

ESTIMATED EXPENSES.

For Sinking Fund,	\$ 4,000 00
“ Salaries,	3,000 00
“ Pauper Department,	7,000 00
“ Fletcher Free Library,	1,800 00
“ Criminal Department,	3,000 00
“ Fire Department,	3,000 00
“ Repairs and care of City Hall, including fuel,	1,000 00
“ Printing, advertising and miscellaneous,	6,000 00
“ Warrants drawn since Jan. 1st,	1,261 20
“ Interest, Water Bonds,	14,694 00
“ “ Improvement Bonds,	2,100 00
“ “ Aid Bonds of the B.&L.R.R.,	9,600 00
“ “ U. S. Deposit Fund,	1,770 66
“ Current expenses Water Department,	10,000 00
“ Temporary Loan,	1,200 00
“ Street Lights.	3,000 00
	<hr/> \$72,425 86
	<hr/> \$95,406 17
Less assets,	44,997 96
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Amount required from taxation,	\$50,408 21
Grand List of the City, \$39,370 59	

It will be necessary to raise for the ensuing year:

City Tax,	130
Highway Tax (provided by law),	20
School Tax,	50
	<hr/> 200 cents

BONDED DEBT OF THE CITY.

Water Bonds,	\$244,900 00
Improvement Bonds,	35,000 00
Aid Bonds for the Burlington & Lamoille R. R.,	160,000 00
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	\$439,900 00

THE SINKING FUND

Holds, of the bonded debt,	\$16,850 00	
Funds not invested,	13,737 87	
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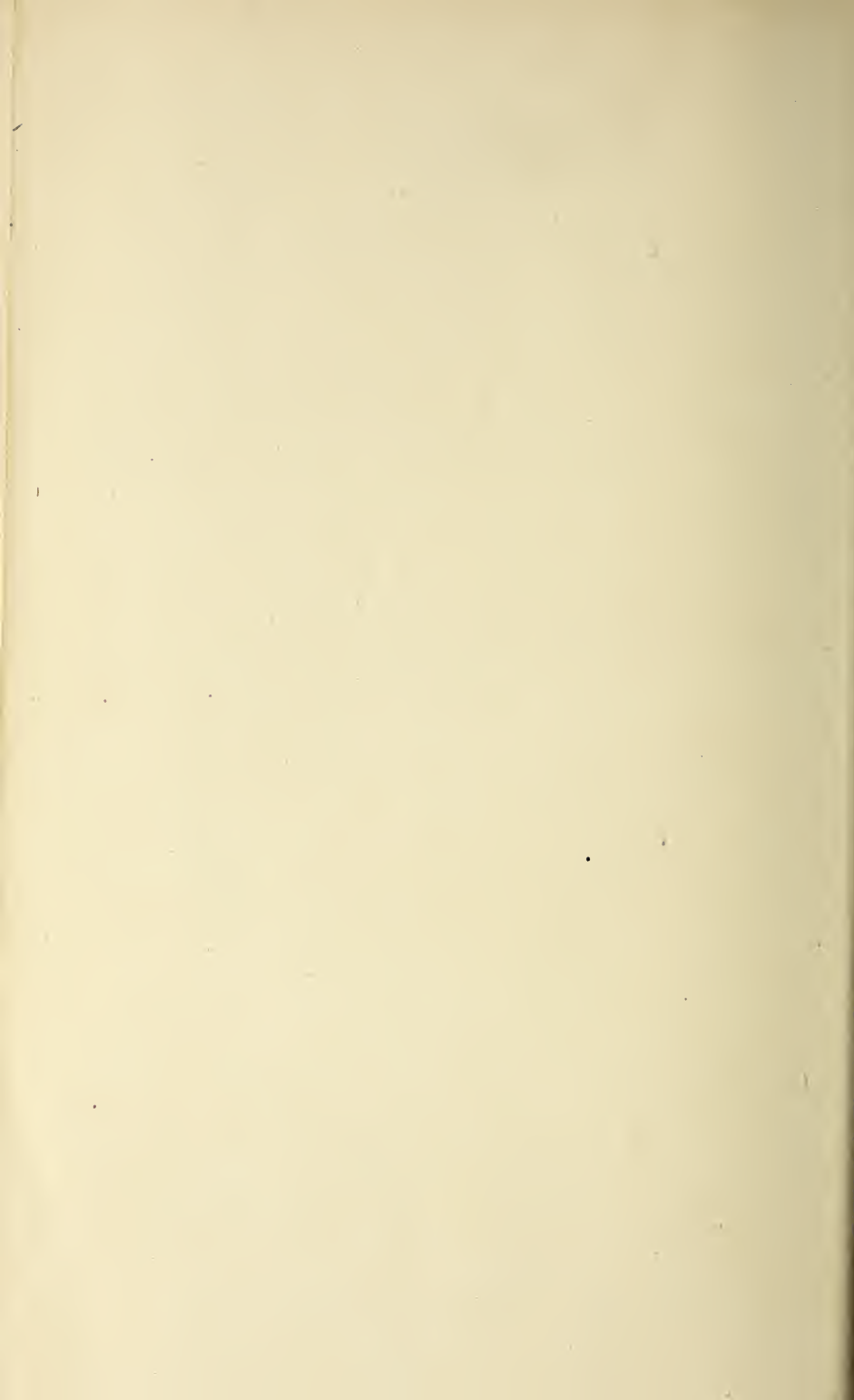
Net debt, \$409,312 13

C. H. BLODGETT, *Mayor*.

Burlington, Jan. 24, 1876.







CITY OF BURLINGTON.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The legal voters in City Meeting, of the City of Burlington, are hereby warned to meet on

Tuesday, the 7th Day of March, 1876,

at Ten o'clock, in the forenoon, in their respective Wards, at the several Election precincts hereinafter named, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, a City Judge, a County Commissioner, and Aldermen, School Commissioners, and Ward officers for the several Wards for the ensuing year.

The following are designated as Election precincts, viz:

WARD ONE,

The School House on Colchester Avenue, near H. W. Catlin's residence.

WARD TWO,

The House of Star Hose Co., on North Street, near Winooski Avenue.

WARD THREE,

The House of Barnes Hose Co., on Champlain Street, east side.

WARD FOUR,

The City Court Room, in the City Hall Building.

WARD FIVE,

The Room in the basement of the "Van Ness House," St. Paul Street side.

BURLINGTON, Feb'y 10, 1876.

C. H. BLODGETT, Mayor.

TWELFTH
ANNUAL REPORT

-OF THE-

CITY GOVERNMENT

-OF THE-

CITY OF BURLINGTON, VT.

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1876.

BURLINGTON:
R. S. STYLES' STEAM JOB PRINTING HOUSE.

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BURLINGTON:
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1877.

In Board of Aldermen January 4th, 1877.

RESOLUTION relating to the publication of the Twelfth Annual City Report of the City of Burlington.

CITY OF BURLINGTON, }
In the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven. }

By Alderman LIPPITT :

Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows :

The City Clerk is hereby directed to prepare for publication the Annual reports of the City Officers, and such other matter as is usually published in the Annual City Reports, for the year ending December 31. 1876,—and, to procure printed 1200 copies thereof, for circulation among the tax-payers of the City. And is authorized to award the printing of said Report to such office as will do the work upon the most favorable terms.

Approved January 5, 1877.

JO. D. HATCH, MAYOR.

CITY GOVERNMENT.

MAYOR,
JO. D. HATCH,

Wards.	ALDERMEN.	Term Expires.
1.	ORVILLE SINCLEAR, GEORGE A. RUMSEY,	1878 1877
2.	WALTER S. VINCENT, A. G. WHITTEMORE,	1877 1878
3.	EDWARD O'NEIL, H. R. WING,	1877 1878
4.	CHAS. W. LIPPITT, S. WALKER,	1877 1878
5.	E. R. HARD, A. TAYLOR,	1878 1877

President of the Board of Aldermen,
A. G. WHITTEMORE.

Regular Meetings of the Board, first Monday in
each Month, at No's 1 and 2 City Hall Building.

Standing Committees

OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

On Water Department,

VINCENT,	LIPPITT,	HARD.
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On Fire Department,

WALKER,	VINCENT,	O'NEIL.
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On Street Department,

TAYLOR,	WING,	WALKER.
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On Accounts and Claims,

HARD,	SINCLEAR,	WALKER.
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On Pauper Department,

O'NEIL,	RUMSEY,	VINCENT.
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On Public Buildings and Parks,

LIPPITT,	RUMSEY,	TAYLOR.
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General Committee,

SINCLEAR,	TAYLOR,	RUMSEY.
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On School Affairs,

RUMSEY,	LIPPITT,	HARD.
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On Fletcher Free Library,

WING,	HARD,	VINCENT.
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On Liquor Agency.

The MAYOR,	WHITEMORE,	SINCLEAR.
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CITY TREASURER,.....GREENE D. WELLER.
 CITY ATTORNEY,.....L. L. LAWRENCE.
 CITY CLERK,.....WM. H. ROOT.
 CONSTABLE,.....LOOMIS J. SMITH.

HEALTH OFFICER.

CHARLES P. THAYER, M. D.

CITY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR.

EDWARD H. PHELPS.

CITY GRAND JUROR.

C. W. BROWNELL, JR.

CITY JUDGE.

MILTON R. TYLER.

CLERK OF CITY COURT.

GEO. W. CHASE.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHIEF ENGINEER.

GEORGE P. FOSTER.

1st Ass't. A. S. DREW, 3d. Ass't. JOEL LINSLEY.
 2nd. " ALEX. CROSBY. 4th. " H. McCARTY.

FENCE VIEWERS.

A. W. ALLEN,

D. C. BARBER.

INSPECTOR OF LEATHER.

HENRY GREENE.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS and MEASURES.

C. R. NASH.

JANITOR OF CITY HALL,

G. D. WELLER.

STREET COMMISSIONERS,

A. TAYLOR,

H. R. WING,

S. WALKER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS,

WILLIAM ZOTTMAN.

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS,

WM. ZOTTMAN.

POUND KEEPER,

LOOMIS J. SMITH.

OVERSEER OF POOR,

ABNER B. LOWRY.

CITY LIQUOR AGENT,
IRA SHATTUCK.

AUDITORS,
C. F. WARD, W. G. WATSON, GEO. W. BECKWITH

TRUSTEE OF U. S. DEPOSIT FUND,
C. W. WOODHOUSE.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

GEORGE FRANCIS,	Term expires 1877.
JOEL H. HOLTON,	“ “ 1878.
DAN LYON.	“ “ 1879.

ASSESSORS,
A. W. ALLEN, H. H. DOOLITTLE. ————

CHIEF OF POLICE,
LUMAN A. DREW.

POLICE JUSTICE,
JOHN B. HOLLENBECK.

Ward Officers.

WARD ONE.

Clerk, JOHN E. HOGAN.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

GEO. N. OLMSTEAD, ORVIS S. STORRS, GEO. L. LINSLEY.

WARD TWO.

Clerk, H. S. PECK.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

WM. ZOTTMAN, E. C. GERMAIN, WM. SMITH.

WARD THREE.

Clerk, WM. H. LEE.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

N. B. FLANAGAN, J. N. BLETHEN, THOMAS COOK.

WARD FOUR.

Clerk, WM. G. WATSON.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

FRED JOHONNOTT, A. G. PIERCE, A. S. DREW.

WARD FIVE.

Clerk, R. J. WRIGHT.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS,

MILES A. EVARTS, F. W. SMITH, H. C. JOHNSON.

City Election Annually on the first Tuesday in March.

Amendments to the City Charter.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF, AND IN ADDITION TO, AN ACT APPROVED NOVEMBER 26, 1872, ENTITLED: "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CITY OF BURLINGTON," APPROVED NOVEMBER 22, 1864, AND OF THE SEVERAL AMENDMENTS THEREOF, HERETOFORE ENACTED.

SECTION

1. Duties and powers of the mayor; compensation; may administer oaths in certain cases; may remit fines.
2. Officers appointed by city council; tenure of office; officers to give bonds; penalty of failure to give bonds.
3. Fees in criminal prosecutions, costs.
4. Qualification of voters in city

SECTION

- election; check list to be prepared for each ward; copies thereof furnished to inspectors of election; original of check lists to be filed in the clerk's office.
5. Freeman's meeting, how called and conducted.
 6. Assessment of taxes; how made and collected.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. Section *Four* of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 4. The mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the city; he shall use his best efforts to see that the laws and city ordinances are enforced, and that the duties of all subordinate officers are faithfully performed; he shall take care that the finances of the city are properly expended, and shall bring before the board of aldermen whatever he may deem worthy of their attention, for prudentially and efficiently carrying on the affairs of the city; he shall receive such annual compensation as shall be voted him by the board of aldermen; in his absence, the president of the board of

aldermen shall act as mayor in his stead. The mayor shall have power to administer oaths in all cases proper for the administration of an oath before the city council, and official oaths to the several officers of said city, when such oaths are required by law, and the president of the board of aldermen shall have like power, in all cases proper for the administration of an oath before the board of aldermen. The mayor, with the consent of the board of aldermen, shall have power to remit fines in whole or in part, in cases where the same are payable into the city treasury, and shall cause the reason for such remissions to be entered on the city records.

SEC. 2. Section *Five* of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

SEC. 5. The city council shall appoint a city treasurer, a city attorney, a city clerk, who shall be *ex officio* clerk of the board of aldermen ; three or more assessors, not exceeding one for each ward ; one constable, who shall have the powers of a police officer ; a chief engineer of the fire department, and such number of assistant engineers as they shall deem necessary ; a superintendent of streets ; a superintendent of the city water works ; a city surveyor, an overseer of the poor ; three cemetery commissioners ; three auditors ; and a health officer ; and they may also appoint such other subordinate officers as may be elected or appointed by towns ; and the compensation of all such officers, and also of the street commissioners, shall be fixed by the city council. At the meeting of the city council for appointment of officers and abatement of taxes, the mayor shall preside, and shall vote the same as the other members thereof. All such officers, excepting the cemetery commissioners and assessors, shall be annually appointed on the first Monday in April, or between that time and the third Monday in April, and shall hold their offices for one year from the 25th day of the same April, and until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. The assessors shall be annually appointed in the month of March, and shall hold their offices for one year from the first day of April following their election, and until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. In case of

a vacancy in any of said offices, occasioned by death, removal from the city, resignation or inability to serve, such vacancy shall be filled by the board of aldermen. The treasurer, constable, superintendent of streets, and superintendent of the city water works shall annually give bonds to the city to the satisfaction of the board of aldermen, for the faithful discharge of their respective duties, and any other city officer may, by the board of aldermen, be required to give similar bonds, and in case of the neglect of any officer to give bonds as above specified,—after ten days' notice from the board of aldermen that he is required to do so—his office shall thereupon become vacant, and the vacancy shall be filled as hereinbefore provided. The city council shall have power for such causes of incapacity, negligence or bad conduct, as to them shall seem sufficient, to suspend or remove from office any city officer who may be elected or appointed by the city council or the board of aldermen, and to fill all vacancies thereby created.

SEC. 3. That portion of section *Eleven* of said act respecting the fees allowed to the prosecuting officers, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

In all criminal prosecutions in said court, the prosecuting officer shall be entitled to tax, and receive the same fees provided by law for town grand jurors.

That portion of section *Eleven* of said act respecting the auditing and payment of the costs in criminal causes in said court, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

In all criminal causes in said court, where the fine and costs are payable to the state, the costs shall be audited and paid as is now provided by law ; and in criminal causes in said court, or before a justice of the peace in said city, where the fine and costs shall be payable to the city, the costs shall be audited as now provided by law, and the city treasurer shall disburse to the officers and witnesses the respective costs belonging to them.

SEC. 4. Section *Fourteen* of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

SEC. 14. Every male citizen of this state of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, whose list shall have been taken for purposes of taxation in said city, at the annual assessment, next preceding any election of city officers therein, and every such citizen whose poll is exempt from taxation, by reason of his having attained the age of seventy years, or by reason of his having lost an arm, or a leg, or his eyesight, while in the service of the United States, or by reason of any special law exempting him; who shall have resided in said city for three months next preceding any such city election, shall be a legal voter at such city elections, and no other person shall be allowed to vote at any such election. Every such voter shall vote only in the ward of which he is at the time an inhabitant, and he shall not vote for alderman, school commissioner, or ward officers, in any ward in which he has not resided for two months preceding any such election. It shall be the duty of the assessors in preparing the annual lists of the inhabitants of the city, to designate therein the number of the ward of which each person listed is an inhabitant, preceding each annual or special city or ward election to be held in said city. It shall be the duty of the city council to prepare full and complete lists of the voters in the respective wards of said city; one copy of such lists shall be posted in some public place in the respective wards to which the voters whose names are on such list belong, at least twelve days previous to any such election—by, or under the direction of, the city clerk. The city council shall meet to make additions, alterations and corrections to said lists in the manner provided by this section, and no meeting of said city council, for the correction of such lists shall be held later than two days previous to the day of any such annual or special city or ward election. After the completion of the check lists of voters as aforesaid, a true copy of the same shall be made by the city clerk, and delivered to the inspectors of election in the several wards, for use at such annual or special city or ward election, and no person whose name is not on such list shall be allowed to vote at any city or ward election. The same penalties for illegal voting at any city or ward election are hereby prescribed as are provided by law for illegal voting at free-

men's meetings. And whenever any check list of voters shall be posted in said city, a notice shall be written or printed thereon, signed either by the mayor or the city clerk, setting forth the time and place that the city council will meet to make additions, alterations or corrections of said lists, which time and place shall be previously determined by the city council. It shall be the duty of the city clerk to cause the original of each and every check list of voters at any time ordered to be posted by the city council of said city, to be filed in his office with his certificate thereto attached, that true copies of such lists have been posted as directed by the city council, together with the time and place in said city, where the same were posted, which certificate shall be *prima facie* evidence of the fact.

SEC. 5. Section *Eighteen* of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

SEC. 18. Freemen's meetings for all purposes provided by the laws of the state, shall be warned by the mayor and one copy of such warning, signed by the mayor, shall be posted in each ward of said city. Such meetings shall be held in the respective wards, and each freeman shall vote only in the ward of which he is an inhabitant at the time of the completion of the check list of voters therefor. Check lists of voters in the respective wards at each freemen's meeting shall be prepared, posted and corrected, and furnished to the inspectors of election in the respective wards. And elections at such freemen's meetings shall be conducted as provided in section fourteen of this act—in respect to city elections—and no person whose name is not on such check list shall be allowed to vote at any freemen's meeting. The person receiving a majority of the votes cast for representative of the city to the general assembly shall be such representative. The check lists required by the general laws of the state to be posted before any freemen's meeting, shall not be required to be so posted in said city, more than twelve days prior to such meeting. The inspectors of election in the several wards shall perform the same duties in regard to certifying the result of elections for state and county officers, including justices of

the peace and senators, in their respective wards, as now devolve by law upon the presiding officers of freemen's meetings in towns; and in addition thereto, they shall certify such result to the city clerk, who shall keep a record thereof. Such inspectors of election shall, immediately after any election for representative of the city and senators to the general assembly, and also of members of congress, and of presidential electors, whenever elections for such shall have been held in said city, certify the result of such election in their respective wards, to the city clerk, who shall make a record thereof; and such city clerk shall furnish to the person receiving a majority of the votes for such representative, in the whole city, a certificate of election, as is provided by law to be furnished by the presiding officers of freemen's meetings in towns. The city clerk shall, immediately after receiving from the inspectors of elections the certificates above mentioned of the result of such elections in their respective wards, certify back to such inspectors in each ward the result of the election for city representative in the whole city; and the freemen's meetings in each ward shall be held open until such result shall have been so certified back, and such result shall be announced by such inspectors to the freemen present; and if no person shall have received a majority of all the votes in the city for representative, the freemen shall proceed to vote again in their respective wards for such representative as aforesaid, and the result shall be certified to, and by the city clerk as aforesaid, and so on from time to time successively, until an election shall be made; and at each successive balloting after the first, the box shall not be turned until three hours from the time of turning the box at the last preceding balloting. In all respects not inconsistent with this act, the provisions of the general statutes respecting freemen's meetings, shall apply to such meetings in said city.

SEC. 6. Section *Twenty-eight* of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 28. All taxes, except state and county taxes, shall be assessed by the city council; and whenever any tax shall be assessed by the city council, the tax bill shall be delivered to

the city treasurer, to whom the taxes, so assessed, shall be paid; and if, at the expiration of one month and eight days from the time said tax bill shall have been delivered to said treasurer, any taxes shall remain unpaid, the treasurer shall issue his warrant against such delinquent person, for the collection of such unpaid taxes, adding to each unpaid tax five per cent., and ten cents for each warrant, which warrant shall be returnable to such city treasurer in ninety days from its date, and shall be addressed and delivered to the constable of the city, and it shall be the duty of such constable to collect all taxes legally imposed, contained in such tax bill, including such five per cent., and pay the same to the city treasurer, on or before the time when such warrant is made returnable, subject to such abatement of such taxes as may be made by the board, for the abatement of taxes. The city council may extend the time for the collection and payment of such taxes, and five per cent., and the return of any such warrant by such constable, from time to time, as in their judgment shall be proper, not exceeding one year in the whole. Such constable shall have the same power and authority in the collection of such taxes, and five per cent., and shall proceed in the same manner therein, and be under the same duties and liabilities, and have the same privileges in respect thereto, as the general laws of the state, now, or may hereafter, prescribe, in regard to the collection of taxes by constables or collectors of taxes in towns, and he shall be entitled to the same fees for the service of such warrant on the respective delinquent tax payers named therein, and the collection of such taxes and five per cent., as collectors of taxes, are by law now entitled to, when they levy on persons or estate, and such fees shall be collected by such constable of such delinquent tax payers, and shall be the only compensation of such constable for the collection and payment to the city treasurer of such taxes and five per cent. Public notice of the fact shall be given by the city treasurer, when any tax shall be assessed by the city council, and the tax bill delivered to him, by publication in all the daily and weekly newspapers published in said city, for the period of eight days immediately succeeding the time when such tax bill shall have been delivered to the city treasurer.

And in such notice the time shall be named, when, according to this section, all unpaid taxes on such tax bill will be placed in the hands of the constable for collection as aforesaid.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved Nov. 9, 1876.

State of Vermont, }
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE. }

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an act entitled: "An Act in amendment of, and in addition to, an act approved November 26, 1872," entitled: "An Act in amendment of an act to incorporate the city of Burlington—approved November, 22, 1864—and of the several amendments thereof heretofore enacted." Approved November 9, 1876, as appears from the records and files of this office.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of this office, at Montpelier, this 18th day of November, A. D. 1876.

[L. S.]

GEORGE NICHOLS,
Secretary of State.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE TAXATION OF DOGS :

AN ACT CONCERNING DOGS AND FOR THE PROTECTION
OF SHEEP AND OTHER DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

SECTION

1. Owners or keepers of dogs shall cause them to be registered and licensed for one year from April first; dog to wear collar; fees for license.
2. Persons coming into possession of a dog after the first of April must procure register and license.
3. City and town clerks to issue said licenses, receive the money therefor, and pay the same into town treasury; further duties of said clerks.
4. City and town treasurers to keep account of moneys so received.
5. Penalty of non-compliance of dog owners with this law; validity of license.
6. Annual list of dogs to be made by listers; refusal to give, or giving of false answers relative to ownership of dogs rendered a misdemeanor; penalty therefor.

SECTION

7. Dogs not licensed and without collar to be killed by police officers or constables, and the owners to be proceeded against; compensation for each dog destroyed; form or warrant.
8. Warrant to be returned within sixty days from time of issuing; form of return.
9. Duty of mayor and chairman of selectmen to make return to state attorneys.
10. Remedy for loss of sheep by dogs, how obtained.
11. Penalty for neglect of duty by any officer.
12. Treasurer to bring action against the owner of a dog doing damage to sheep, lambs, etc., when such damage has been paid by the town or city.
13. Law relating to taxation of dogs repealed.

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of
Vermont :*

SEC. 1. Every owner or keeper of a dog shall annually on or before the thirty-first day of March, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of the ensuing April, in the office of the clerk of the city or town wherein said dog is kept, and shall cause it to wear around its neck a collar distinctly marked with its owner's name and its registered number, and shall pay for such license two dollars.

SEC. 2. Any person becoming the owner or keeper of a dog not duly licensed, on or after the first day of April, shall cause said dog to be registered, numbered, described and

licensed until the first day of the ensuing April in the manner and subject to the terms and duties prescribed in this act.

SEC. 3. The clerks of cities or towns, shall issue said licenses and receive the money therefor, and pay the same into the treasuries of their cities, or towns, on or before the first day of December of each year, retaining to their own use twenty cents for each license, and shall return therewith a sworn statement of the amount of moneys thus received and paid over by them. They shall also keep a record of all licenses issued by them, with the names of the keepers or owners of dogs licensed, and the names registered, numbers and description of all such dogs.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of each city or town treasurer to keep an accurate and separate account of all moneys received and expended by him under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 5. Any person keeping a dog contrary to the provisions of this act, shall forfeit fifteen dollars to be recovered by complaint or indictment, and of said fine or forfeiture five dollars shall be paid to the complainant, and ten dollars shall be paid to the treasurer of the town or city in which the dog is kept. A license from the clerk of any city or town shall be valid in any part of the state, and may be transferred with the dog licensed, provided said license be recorded by the clerk of the city or town where such dog is kept.

SEC. 6. The listers of the cities and towns shall annually take a list of all dogs owned or kept in their respective cities or towns, on the first day of April, with the owners, or keepers names, and return the same to the city or town clerk, on or before the fifteenth day of May following. Any owner or keeper of a dog who shall refuse to give just and true answer or shall answer falsely to the listers relative to the ownership thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars, to be paid into the city or town treasury.

SEC. 7. Mayors of cities and the chairmen of selectmen of towns shall annually, within ten days from the fifteenth day of May, issue a warrant to one or more police officers or constables, directing them to proceed forthwith either to kill or cause to be killed, all dogs within their respective cities or

towns not licensed and collared according to the provisions of this act, and to enter complaint against the owners or keepers thereof, and any person may, and every police officer and constable shall, kill or cause to be killed all such dogs whenever or wherever found. Such officers, other than those employed under regular pay, shall receive one dollar for each dog so destroyed, from the treasurers of their respective cities or towns. All bills for such services shall be approved by the mayor or chairman of the selectmen of the city or town in which said dogs are destroyed, and shall be paid from moneys received under the provisions of this act. Such warrant shall be in the following form as near as may be :

State of Vermont,	} To	constable of the town
county, ss.			police of city :
	} or	

By the authority of the State of Vermont, you are hereby commanded forthwith to kill, or cause to be killed, all dogs not duly licensed and collared according to the provisions of an act entitled "An Act concerning dogs, and for the protection of sheep and other domestic animals, approved Nov. 22d, A. D. 1876," and you are further required to make and return complaint against the owner or keeper of any such dog.

Hereof fail not, and due return make of this warrant with your doings thereon, within sixty days from the date hereof, stating the number of dogs killed, and the names of the owners or keepers thereof, and whether all unlicensed dogs in said town or city, have been killed, and the names of persons against whom complaints have been made, under the provisions of said act, and whether complaints have been made and returned against all persons who have failed to comply with the provisions of said act.

Given under my hand at aforesaid,
this day of A. D.

(Mayor of) or chairman of selectmen of

SEC. 8. Each police officer or constable to whom the warrant named in the preceding section shall have been issued, shall return the same within sixty days from the date thereof

to the mayor or chairman of selectmen issuing the same, and shall state in said return the number of dogs killed, and the names of the owners or keepers thereof, and whether all unlicensed dogs in his city or town, have been killed, and the names of persons against whom complaints have been made under the provisions of this act, and whether complaints have been entered against all the persons who have failed to comply with the provisions of this act.

SEC. 9. The mayors of cities and the chairmen of selectmen of towns, shall annually, within ten days from the twenty-fifth day of July, transmit a certificate regularly subscribed and sworn to, of the fact of the issue of the warrant named in section seven, and whether the same has been duly executed and returned, agreeably to the provisions of this act, to the State attorneys of their respective counties whose duty it shall be to prosecute all such city or town officers as fail to comply with the provisions of this act.

SEC. 10. Whoever suffers loss by the worrying, maiming or killing of his sheep, lambs, fowls or other domestic animals by dogs, may inform the mayor of the city or the chairman of the selectmen of the town wherein the damage was done, who shall proceed to the premises where the damage was done, and determine whether the same was inflicted by dogs, and if so, appraise the amount thereof, and return a certificate of said amount to the board of aldermen or selectmen of said city or town, on or before the first day of December; provided, however, that if in the opinion of said mayor or chairman of selectmen, the amount of said damage shall exceed the sum of twenty dollars, he shall appoint two disinterested persons, who, with the said mayor or chairman of selectmen, shall appraise the amount of such damage and return a certificate of the same to the board of aldermen or selectmen of said city or town, on or before the first day of December. The board of aldermen or selectmen of said city or town, shall, during the month of December, examine all such bills, and when any doubt exists, may summon the appraisers and all parties interested, and make such examination as they may think proper, and shall issue an order upon the treasurer of the city or town in which the damage was done, for all or any

part thereof, as justice and equity may require. And said board of aldermen or selectmen shall transmit to the treasurer of said city or town, on or before the thirty-first day of December, the aggregate amount of all such orders issued by him; The appraisers shall receive from the city or town treasurer out of the moneys received under the provisions of this act, the sum of one dollar each for every examination made by them as prescribed in this section, and the mayor or chairman of selectmen acting in the case, shall receive twenty cents per mile one way for his necessary travel in the case. The treasurer shall annually, on the first Wednesday of January, pay all such orders in full if the gross amount received by him and not previously paid out under the provisions of this act, is sufficient therefor, otherwise he shall divide such amount *pro rata* among such orders in full discharge thereof.

The owner of sheep, lambs or other domestic animals worried, maimed or killed by dogs, shall have his election whether to proceed under the provisions of this section, or under the provisions of section nine of chapter one hundred and four of the general statutes, but having signified his election by proceeding in either mode, he shall not have the other remedy. In the absence or sickness of the mayor of the city or chairman of the selectmen of the town in which the damage is done, it shall be the duty of any one of the aldermen of said city, or of the selectmen of said town, who may be duly informed of damage supposed to have been done by dogs, to discharge forthwith the duties imposed by this section upon the mayor or chairman of selectmen.

SEC. 11. Any city or town officer refusing or willfully neglecting to perform the duties herein imposed upon him, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, to be paid into the state treasury. Any person aggrieved by such refusal or neglect on the part of any city or town officer, may report the same forthwith to the State attorney of his county.

SEC. 12. The treasurer of any city or town may, and when ordered by the board of aldermen or selectmen shall, bring an action of tort against the owner or keeper of any dog con-

cerned in doing damage to sheep, lambs or other domestic animals in said city or town, which damage the board of aldermen or selectmen have ordered to be paid, to recover the full amount thereof to the use of said city or town. All fines and penalties provided in this act, may be recovered on complaint or indictment, before any court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the offence is committed. Moneys received by the treasurer of any city or town under the provisions of this act, and not expended in accordance with its provisions, may be applied to the payment of any city or town expenses.

SEC. 13. That part of chapter 83, of the general statutes which relates to the taxation of dogs, is hereby repealed.

Approved November 22, 1876.

MAYOR'S ADDRESS.

DELIVERED APRIL 3d, 1876.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN :—The citizens of Burlington have entrusted to us the management of their municipal affairs for the ensuing year, and I hope that in the discharge of this duty we may lay aside all partisan feeling and act solely for the public good. The severe and long-continued financial depression through which the country is passing, presses upon all classes, and on every side is heard a demand for the most rigid economy. We shall prove false to the trust reposed in us if we fail to respond to that call and exert ourselves to the utmost to reduce, in all proper ways, the city expenses.

FINANCES.

The bonded debt of the city is as follows :

The several issues of water bonds.....	\$244,900 00
Improvement Bonds.....	35,000 00
Bonds issued in aid of the Burlington & Lamoyille Railroad.....	160,000 00

Total.....	\$439,900 00
Of the above the sinking fund holds.....	30,587 87
Leaving the present amount of bonded debt....	\$409,312 13

It will require \$26,304 to meet the interest, an amount equal to about 67 cents on the dollar of the present Grand List.

From the Treasurer's books I find there was an indebtedness January 1st, 1876, in the form of temporary loans of \$22,980.31. To meet this there was in the treasury at the same date, cash \$9,337.62; due from school fund, \$2,258.44; uncollected taxes '74-'75, \$10,902; less amount at present unavailable, say \$5,000, \$5,902.06; due from uncollected water rates, \$1,284; due from Green Mount Cemetery Association, \$225.85—\$18,997.96.

There has also been drawn from the treasury and charged to the several departments since January 1st, up to the present time, \$12,007.93.

STREETS, SEWERS AND PARKS.

The work upon the streets during the past year, as appears by the report of the superintendent, has been confined mainly to making ordinary repairs.

The only fund specially provided for this department is the highway tax of twenty cents on the dollar levied by state law. So long as our streets remain only common dirt roads, this sum must be almost entirely required to keep them in good condition, and but little of it can be relied upon, to apply to any extensive and permanent improvements. If this small sum could be regularly applied to the improvement of the roads outside of the thickly built portions of the city, it would eventually accomplish a much needed change in these highways.

Portions of several streets need paving and curbing. The plan for accomplishing this, as contemplated in the last amendments to the city charter, seems to be, that the entire cost of such improvements be charged upon the abutting property.

This is the method adopted by almost all the cities and larger towns in the country, and seems the only practical and feasible one. The tax for these improvements may not in this way be distributed with absolute evenness, but if it is in any degree partial, it is in favor of the poorer classes.

The charter makes it the duty of the city council to decide finally and definitely upon this matter, and I quite agree with my predecessor that if this policy of charging *all* cost of such improvements upon the abutting property was finally established, and our citizens assured that when they had once paid for a permanent improvement to the streets in front of their property, they would not be called upon to defray by taxation, or in any other way, any portion of similar improvements in other parts of the city, extensive and very valuable improvements would be very soon effected, without any increase of the city debt, or the city tax.

Your attention is also called to the present miserable condition of the sidewalks and street crossings throughout the city. Some decided measures should at once be taken for their improvement.

The macadam paving put down two years ago, has stood well, and seems to prove the best and most economical we can use. The Willard street extension has been opened for travel at a cost of \$3,101 for land damages, and \$618.82 for construction, making the total cost of this improvement \$3,719.82.

There is a great need of a barn and sheds, in which to keep the horses, carts and tools. From the want of these, there is considerable loss to the city every year. This subject as a measure of economy alone, should receive your immediate attention.

There have been 3,442 feet of sewers constructed within the past year, all of which have been of the dimensions and put down, as provided in the general plan of sewerage of the city, adopted Feb. 1st, 1875.

Quite a large portion of the sewerage already constructed, connects with the main sewer, in the ravine above Main street, and, as a sanitary measure, the early completion of this sewer, especially of that portion of it between Main and Church streets, is demanded.

The parks during the past two years have been greatly improved. They are not in all respects fully completed and finished as they should be, but are in good condition, and little need be expended upon them the present year.

SCHOOLS.

In two respects this department has been very fortunate. *First*, its board of commissioners has been one of great permanency, and *second*, the board has from the first, contained some of the best educational and business talent of the city. Hence, its plans of operation have been well matured before they were put in practice, so that it has never been found necessary to go back and undo what had already been done.

The great improvement of our schools under the present system, has secured for the system, and the commissioners, the hearty support of the people.

The present superintendent has been very earnest in his efforts to increase their efficiency, and to secure the largest results at the least possible expense, and while it is probable

they may not be absolutely perfect, they may safely challenge comparison with the best in the country. This department is not likely to need any new buildings for some time. It owes \$1,500 towards the buildings recently constructed, but has abandoned school property fully sufficient to pay the debt, and it is not expected that for some years to come, anything more will be required than the tax authorized by law for current expenses.

CRIMINAL AND POLICE.

The expenses of these departments for the year have been for costs in city and justice courts, \$1,134.16; board of prisoners in jail, \$413; pay of police, \$2,410.20; incidental expenses, \$150.33; total, \$4,106.69; less received for fines and costs, \$687.38, leaving a balance of \$3,420.31. There are seventy-five uncollected mittimuses now in the officers hands, amounting to \$976.38. The principal items of the expenses, appear to be the costs in the city court, and the police. The latter item is under the control of the city council, and the sum to be expended, must be determined by them. While it cannot and should not be expected that the criminal department will pay its own expenses, it does seem, that the costs of the cases in the city court are exorbitant.

This, of course, is not a matter under our control. No defect which requires a remedy by legislation, can affect our expenses the present year; still, we should have a care for the future as well as the present, and I would suggest the appointment of a competent commission, to thoroughly examine the administration of criminal law in this city, and report whether any, and if so, what legislation is necessary, to relieve the city from the apparently excessive, and unnecessary expense of this department. I would also recommend that the jailor be requested to report to the board monthly, the number, and names of persons in jail, chargeable to the city, and for what committed. Of course, the protection of property, and maintenance of good order, must be attended with expense, yet that expense should be reduced to as small a sum as is consistent with the proper management of the depart-

ment, and while prosecutions and convictions are necessary, great care should be taken by all connected with this branch of the city government, that no complaints should be presented, unless there is sufficient evidence, to reasonably expect a conviction. Indeed, this is implied by an acceptance of their office, and it requires the constant exercise of good judgment, and the same rules of economy which men use in their private business affairs, to keep these matters within just limits.

WATER WORKS.

The disbursements in this department for the past year, including interest on the bonds, amount to \$28,504.13; less amount received for service rates, \$17,423.19, leaving a deficiency of \$11,080.94, to be paid by the city.

This deficiency has increased steadily for several years, and at the same time, the consumption of water has also increased. This would seem to indicate that the water is being furnished at a loss to the city, or else, that there is a constantly increasing waste. The former I apprehend to be the main difficulty. I find upon examination of the water rates of several towns in New England and New York, that the rates, even in towns where the supply is obtained by gravitation, are much higher than here. In some of these places, the rates charged are from twenty to sixty per cent. above ours. I can see no good reason why the rates should not be raised, until they are at least equal to those of other towns similarly situated. A great deal of water is used for sprinkling streets, gardens and private grounds; for fountains and similar uses. The utmost vigilance should be used to restrain the use of water for these purposes, within the prescribed limits, and to return to the city at least its cost. The cost of operating the pumps by day labor, has proved more expensive than under the contract system, with no compensating advantages that I am aware of. I recommend this entire subject to your most earnest attention.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The reputation of the Fire Department of our city stands high, and deservedly so. It is efficient and active, and with

the ordinances and regulations recently adopted, still greater efficiency is expected. The apparatus of the several companies is well kept, and cared for, and unusual interest is manifested by the firemen in the performance of their duties. The rooms of most of the companies are well furnished and tastefully decorated. Further improvement is to be looked for, rather in the better discipline and more perfect equipment of the companies than by an increase of their numbers. By referring to the last annual report of the Chief Engineer, it will be noticed that what is most needed at the present time, is a supply of new hose and the building of a central hose depot, both of which should be furnished, as soon as the financial condition of the city will warrant.

By the very general distribution of hydrants throughout the city, where the pressure of water is sufficient for fire purposes, the fire engines have become of secondary importance. Would it not be advisable to station one of them in that portion of the city where the force of the water from the water pipes is insufficient to be of service in extinguishing fires? This would compensate in some measure, those who pay taxes for the privilege of the water-works, but receive, a small portion of its benefits. The cost of maintaining this department for the past year has been \$4,558.71 of which \$1,651.87 was for current expenses, \$1,200.00 for water, and the balance for repairs and building hose houses.

While an active, efficient fire department is of the greatest importance, our firemen should bear in mind, that they are citizens alike with us, and with us must bear, near, or remotely, the burdens of taxation. Rigid economy should enter into the workings of this, as well as all other departments, and the current expenses reduced, rather than increased.

FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

This library, the munificent gift of Mrs. Mary L. and Miss Mary M. Fletcher, of this city, was opened to the public on the 6th day of July last. But two alcoves could then be used. Nine more are now available to readers. The librarian reports a daily average of more than 120 volumes borrowed, and a circulation equal to 200 per cent. of the whole number of vol-

umes. This is proof enough, how well the privilege is understood and prized by the public. If its founders were seeking testimony of the benefit of it, and of the grateful sense the city has of their kindness, better evidence could hardly be furnished.

The generous founders of the library, have also recently placed the city under new obligations, by a fresh gift of \$4,000 in addition to the original one of \$20,000. In making this, the donors stated to the Trustees, that they wished a part of it expended in printing a catalogue, and the balance in the purchase of books, especially of such as are needful to fill marked deficiencies in the various classes.

The great usefulness of this latter gift, can be fully understood only by those who have had occasion to mark the serious gaps in the more important departments, of the Library and many needful, and all but indispensable volumes, can now be added. This increase of the library will necessarily delay the publication of the catalogue, but the trustees expect that it will be ready early in the summer, and when printed will be sold at a nominal price.

There seems to be great need of an assistant librarian, and also of a storeroom, for unpacking and sorting books, and similar uses.

POOR DEPARTMENT.

The amount drawn from the treasury by this department is \$7,604 46, exclusive of the sum paid for the general vaccination of the past winter and \$1,811 23 invested in the new hospital. The extraordinary expenses of the past year, are owing in a great measure to the presence of the small-pox, which prevailed to quite an extent, until some time in July last, and partially to the general stagnation of business, by which many persons were thrown out of employment, and forced to call on the Overseer for assistance for themselves and families.

A building has recently been erected on the poor farm, to be used as a small-pox hospital, and it requires but a small expenditure for furniture, to make it convenient and comfortable.

The poor farm buildings are in good repair, and this entire department, under the care of its prudent and pains-taking overseer, seems to be managed with as much care and economy as possible, and at the same time extending, necessary assistance to those who are compelled to call on it for aid.

CONCLUSION.

And now, gentlemen, relying on your active concurrence and support in carrying into effect such measures as commend themselves to your good judgment, which I have now, and may from time to time present for your consideration, and promising on my part to give a prompt and careful attention to all measures that may originate in your body, let us commence the duties imposed upon us, with the fixed determination to perform them in such a manner, as to justify the confidence reposed in us, and to merit the approval of our constituents.

JO D. HATCH, Mayor.

Burlington, April 3d, 1876.

REPORT

—OF THE—

CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Burlington, Vt.:

GENTLEMEN:—In conformity with the rules and regulations of your Honorable Body, I have the honor to present to you the twelfth annual report of the engineers of the fire department of the city of Burlington, for the fiscal year ending Dec.. 31, 1876:

COMMITTEE ON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chairman, SOLOMON WALKER.

W. S. VINCENT.

EDMUND O'NEIL.

ENGINEERS.

Chief, GEO. P. FOSTER.

1st Assistant,	A. S. DREW.
2d “	ALEX. CROSBY.
3d “	JAS. B. SCULLY.
4th “	HENRY McCARTY.

The department at present consists of two (2) hand engines, one Hunneman, one Jeffers, which have not been used during the past year; one hook and ladder carriage, seven hose carts, together with all the necessary equipments for active service.

The volunteer department own their apparatus and equipments, report to engineer for duty, and are subject to the same rules and regulations at fires, as the regular fire department.

This department have four hose carts fully equipped for service. For a more detailed statement of the department, I refer you to the company's returns embodied in this report.

The following table will show the number of fires during the year, buildings burned, estimated loss, chimney fires, false alarms :

MONTHS.	Actual Fires,.....	Buildings Burned,.....	Estimated Loss,.....	Chimney Fires,.....	False Alarms,.....
January,.....	..	..	..	..	1
February,.....	1	..	\$ 400	1	..
March,.....	..	..	..	..	..
April,.....	1	..	10	1	..
May,.....	..	..	..	..	2
June,.....	1	..	1,000	..	1
July,.....	..	..	..	..	1
August,.....	..	..	..	..	..
September,.....	..	..	..	..	1
October,.....	..	..	..	..	..
November,.....	1	..	800	1	..
December,.....	..	..	..	..	..
Total,.....	4	..	\$2,210	3	6

It will be seen by the above table that this city has been very fortunate in the matter of fires during the last year. Not one building (with the exception of a small store house) has been burned down or injured to any extent.

CITY PROPERTY.

All the apparatus of the fire department in actual service is in good order—except the linen hose, which is giving out rapidly and will soon be wholly unserviceable. I recommend to the honorable committee, that in replacing this hose, they purchase such as will stand the pressure of the hydrants, and will not have to be repaired in two or three years.

HYDRANTS.

Many of the old underground hydrants are very unsatisfactory to the present board of engineers. They require great

care to protect them from the frost, and constant work to keep the snow off them, so as to enable firemen with the ordinary tools of the department to make connection. I suggest that in putting in new hydrants or in replacing worthless ones, that your committee use such as has been recently put up at the corner of Church and Bank streets, or similar ones, that have their connections above the curbstone.

I would recommend that no new hose companies be equipped at the expense of the city, believing that we have all the organizations of the kind that can be used to advantage. I believe that a chemical fire apparatus, such as are used in many other cities, would be of benefit to this department. Fires occur frequently in the upper stories of buildings filled with valuable goods, and the danger of damage by water is great, when it becomes necessary to carry a line of hose to the upper floors, which necessarily causes more or less damage to goods on the lower floors. This machine could be used to advantage in these cases, and the damage greatly lessened, if not wholly obviated.

I would respectfully call your attention to the fact that your board of engineers are not provided with a room for headquarters. You expect much of your engineers, and often require much. There is hardly a city official, but that is provided with good quarters. Many of them "fare sumptuously every day" with conveniences furnished by the city, while doing its business.

Yet your honorable body require your fire engineers to transact their business on the street corners or elsewhere, as they may happen to meet. The engineers believe it is duty to the officers of this city, who give their time without any compensation, that they should be provided with proper places to transact the business required of them.

INSPECTION AND PARADE.

The annual inspection and parade took place September 30th. There was a full attendance of the regular, as well as the volunteer fire department. The inspection was by company, under the direction of the engineers, accompanied by

His Honor Mayor Hatch, and the Honorable Board of Aldermen. Nearly all of the companies reported with full ranks, and all passed a very good inspection. Some of the older companies passed a superior inspection. Their company movements, their hose carts and equipments, were such as to place them second to no other fire companies I have ever met.

All the fire companies voluntarily took part in the exercises of Decoration Day, and the 4th of July celebration, adding much to the first by their quiet, gentlemanly demeanor, and to the second, by their military movements and elaborate decorations.

The citizens' home purse was contested for by six hose companies; distance, eighty rods; connect with hydrant; lay three hundred feet of hose; screw on nozzle and get stream of water. These companies made an average time of one minute and twenty-four and $\frac{5}{8}$ seconds. The Garry-Owens afterwards at Whitehall ran 540 yards, winning first prize; time, one minute 22 $\frac{1}{4}$ seconds: making two of the best records ever made by any hose companies in the United States.

Permit me, through this report, to thank Mrs. Chas. F. Ward and Mrs. L. C. Dodge for their untiring efforts in providing the firemen with coffee and refreshments on all necessary occasions. Hoping that the temperate and orderly manner in which the firemen have conducted themselves, will in part pay them for their exertions.

Before concluding my report, I wish to tender for myself and my assistants, our thanks to the firemen of Burlington, both regular and volunteer, for the prompt and cheerful manner in which they have always responded when called upon for assistance, and for the universal kindness extended to us on all occasions.

To the mayor, the board of aldermen, and fire department committee, for the cordial and prompt manner in which they have coöperated with us, in our efforts to maintain the efficiency of the department.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

GEO. P. FOSTER,
Chief Engineer.

COMPANY STATISTICS.

BOXER ENGINE COMPANY NO. 3.

Foreman, CHAS. E. BROOKS.

1st Ass't, E. J. McCARTY. 2d Ass't, PAT RITCHIE.

Clerk, WM. BLAIR.

MEMBERS:

Bostwick, O. F.	Hanley, John	Nichols, Chas.
Brouillette, Charles	Howard, Chas.	O'Brien, Michael
Baker, Richard	Kelley, Wm.	Pagel, Henry
Cummings, M.	Kelley, Richard	Powers, Michael 1st
Crosby, Alex.	Kelley, Thomas	Powers, Michael 2d
Corrigan, Thomas	Lane, H. S.	Quinn, Wm.
Dooley, Thomas	Leonard, James	Shortsleeves, Fred
Durham, Peter	Mulqueen, John	Schwankert, F.
Delorme, Jas.	McKanna, Michael	Smith, Peter
Doxey, Albert	McGrath, James	Wardlow, J. W.
Frenier, Henry	Mitchell, Dan	White, H. S.
Foley, James	Mitchell, Jacob	White, Jas.
Fassett, John	Morrison, Jasper W.	Willet, Ed.
Hurley, Wm.	Mahoney, Chris. O.	Wescott, Samuel.
Hemley, James	Murphy, Thomas	48 members.

CITY PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF BOXER ENGINE CO. NO. 3.

One Hunneman hand engine, 1 hose cart, 1,000 feet leather hose, 1 axe, 1 crowbar, 2 lanterns, 6 patches, 2 hydrant wrenches, 1 provider, 3 ladder straps, etc., etc. Room convenient and well furnished.

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY NO. 1.

Foreman, ROBERT C. STRONG.

1st Ass't, PETER LANDER. Treas., W. W. WHEELER.

2d " JOHN HASTINGS. Clerk, E. M. SUTTON.

3d " W. W. WHEELER. Auditor, WM. DENNING.

Steward, THOS. BUTLER.

MEMBERS :

Bedord, Frank	Flynn, John P.	Merrill, Fred. F.
Bray, Joseph	Foley, John	Miller, Stephen
Bresnihan, John	Gillooly, Patrick	Miller, Wm.
Butler, Patrick	Gorman, Edmund	Moore, Michael
Chiotte, Henry	Guyette, Abram	Murphy, Geo.
Collins, Matthew	Hanley, John	Murray, Frank
Cook, John	Hastings, John	Nangle, John
Cook, Michael	Hudson, George	O'Neil, James
Cooney, O. E.	Kelly, John	Perault, Henry
Croto, Alex.	Kelly, Michael	Powers, Wm.
Croto, Joseph	Kennedy, Dennis	Riley, James A.
Cunningham, Michael	Kennedy, Samuel	Russell, Thomas
Daley, Michael	Lander, Peter	Shea, J. J.
Delibac, Moses	Latour, Wm.	Sheridan, John
Denning, James	Lovejoy, Stephen	Strong, R. C.
Denning, Wm.	Marengo, Peter	Sutton, E. M.
Desautelle, John	Marengo, Peter Jr.,	Ward, Frank
Dugan, Richard	McCarty, John	Ward, Phillip
Faga, John	McKanna, Frank	Wheeler, W. W.

58 members.

CITY PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY NO. 1.

One hook and ladder truck, 2 thirty-eight foot ladders, 1 six foot ladder, 2 fourteen foot ladders, 4 roof eight foot ladders, 15 pikes and braces, 2 large hooks, chain and rope, 2 guy ropes, 2 bars, 4 axes, 1 head and 2 side lanterns, 4 lanterns, 4 roof chains, 1 hammer, 1 wrench, 1 pair whiffletrees, 2 single whiffletrees.

ETHAN ALLEN ENGINE COMPANY NO. 4.

Foreman, B. J. DERBY.

1st Assistant,	W. F. DOOLITTLE.
2d “	W. E. HALL.
Auditor and Trustee,	A. G. STRONG.
Secretary and Treasurer,	E. W. BURRITT.

MEMBERS :

Adsit, E. S.	Gates, A. E.	Smith, C. P.
Atwood, L. A.	Hendee, W. F.	Strong, A. G.
Barlow, Edward	Hagar, Geo. I.	Storrs, O. S.
Bedord, Felix	Hall, W. E.	Stearns, R. B.
Brown, J. A.	Harrington, H. W.	Taft, E. W.
Brownell, C. W. Jr.	Hindes, G. W.	Taft, F. L.
Barrows, E. A.	Hill, H. R.	Tyler, W. A.
Clark, H. N.	Johnson, S. Jr.	Walker, Solomon
Cole, A. K.	Lamora, Oliver	Walker, Hiram
Conant, A. F.	Lane, W. H. Jr.	Ward, C. F.
Converse, F. K.	Lord, G. M.	Ward, F. W.
Cosgriff, T. V.	Lucas, Ed. F.	Weller, W. E.
Cushman, W. M.	Miner, C. E.	White, Napoleon
Crane, G. E.	Murray, Moses	White, Henry S.
Davis, H. H.	Peck, John E.	Whitney, C. H.
Davis, L. M.	Pierson, R. I.	Witherell, A. B.
Derby, B. J.	Powers, C. H.	Wells, Edward.
Doolittle, W. F.	Parker, E. C.	Webb, A. S.
Drew, A. S.	Perkins, F. E.	Waters, W. H.
Duncan, C. W. H.	Reed, H. L.	Van Sicklen, F. M.
Earle, E. A.	Reynolds, W. G.	Van Sicklen, J.
Elliot, E. F.	Rogers, T. P. W.	Van Buskirk, I.
Ferguson, C. H.	Smith, J. R.	69 members.

CITY PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF ETHAN ALLEN ENGINE COMPANY NO. 4.

One hand engine, 1 hose cart, 1 axe, 1 crowbar, 2 lanterns, 9 patches, 2 hydrant wrenches, 2 monkey wrenches, 1 hammer, 1 provider, 4 oil cans, 1 stove and pipe, 1 coal hod, 4 rubber coats, 2 sponges, 1 chamois, 1150 feet leather hose, 2 pipes and nozzles, 11 spanners, 4 ladder straps. Headquarters well furnished.

STAR HOSE COMPANY NO. 2.

Foreman, L. C. GRANT.

1st Assistant,	E. C. RICHARDSON.
2d “	M. M. PETERS.
Clerk,	J. C. STANNARD.
Treasurer,	J. H. BAIRD.
Auditor,	C. H. HUNTINGTON.

MEMBERS:

Austin, A. L.	Langlois, J. L.	Pine, Moses
Barnes, A. E.	Mossey, A. Jr.	Sheridan, J. S.
Beach, J. T.	Muir, C.	St. Armands, F.
Duhamel, A.	Norton, L.	Spear, H. E.
Faulkner, Wm.	Newton, Wm.	Welcome, Wm. T.
Hayes, Wm.	Perkins, R. J.	Richardson, Wm.
Liberty, H.	Perkins, N. E.	26 members.

CITY PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF STAR HOSE COMPANY NO. 2.

One hose cart, 500 feet linen hose, 1 hydrant wrench, hose spanners, etc., necessary for use in the company; all in good condition, with the exception of one hundred feet of hose, which is slightly damaged.

CLIPPER HOSE COMPANY NO. 6.

Foreman, JOHN MURDOCK.

1st Assistant,	J. L. MCGOWAN.
2d “	EDWARD JERRY.
Clerk,	J. E. HOGAN.
Treasurer,	H. F. SINCLEAR.

MEMBERS:

Bernor, Joseph	Keough, Peter	McGeavy, T. C.
Bissonett, J. J.	LeMaire, Peter	Olmstead, F. W.
Cota, Charles	Louther, John	Riley, Charles
Donley, Patrick	McCarty, Henry	Wheat, Nelson
Dupau, William	McCarty, C. H.	19 members.

CITY PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF CLIPPER HOSE COMPANY NO. 6.

One hose cart, 500 feet hose, 1 axe, 1 bar, 1 table, 4 settees, 5 chairs, 1 stove and pipe, 1 wood-box; all are in good condition.

HOWARD HOSE COMPANY NO. 5.

Foreman, A. A. DREW.

1st Ass't, THOMAS COFFEE. Trustee, P. R. ROWLEY.

2d " E. W. BECKWITH. Auditor, H. B. WILLARD.

Clerk and Treasurer, J. W. RUSSELL.

MEMBERS :

Black, John	Kelly, Patrick B.	O'Brien, John
Coffee, Patrick	Laprese, C.	Phelan, Wm.
Coffee, John	Lawrence, L. L.	Warren, Calvin
Craven, Luke	McDonald, Joseph	Dolan, Chas. L.
Craven, Wm. B.	McGrath, Owen	Guyette, Frank
Kelly, John	Mangan, Wm.	23 members.

CITY PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF HOWARD HOSE COMPANY NO. 5.

One hose cart, 500 feet linen hose, 1 bar, 1 axe, spanners etc., 2 ladder straps, wrenches, patches, etc.; all in good order.

BARNES HOSE COMPANY NO. 7.

Foreman, J. HALLIHAN.

1st Ass't, A. A. MEAD. Clerk, M. J. CONWAY.

2d " L. HALLIHAN. Auditor, A. A. MEAD.

Treasurer, J. W. WATERS.

MEMBERS :

Mead, G. F.	Murphy, P.	Thomas, B. W.
Murray, J. B.	Murphy, W.	McCarty, W.
Conway, M. J.	Heffron, M.	Welch, P.
Hathaway, A. J.	Shehan, P.	McCullough, F.
Hudson, W.	Shehan, J.	Gravelin, J.
Finneran, J.	Laduke, F.	Madden, P.
Finneran, F.	Wakefield, J.	McGetrick, M.
Hudson, E.	Wakefield, James	Corrigan, J.
Lynch, E.	Ladue, S.	Madigan, J.
Hughes, C.		34 members.

CITY PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF BARNES HOSE COMPANY NO. 7.

One hose cart, 1 stove, 1 coal hod, 4 settees, 4 chairs, 400 feet rubber hose, 200 feet linen hose, 1 whiffletree, 3 patches, 3 leather straps, 12 spanners, 4 rubber coats, 4 caps, 1 table, 1 lamp, 2 oil cans.

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

VOLUNTEER HOSE COMPANY NO. 1. "Independent."

Foreman, S. NICHOLS.

1st Assistant,	H. R. CONGER.
2d "	J. LINSLEY.
Clerk and Treasurer,	G. S. WRIGHT.
Auditor,	D. N. BURTON.

MEMBERS :

Avery, S. C.	Henderson, E. F.	Mitchell, H. M.
Austin, G. W.	Hotchkiss, J. B.	Pease, C. E.
Buss, G.	Jones, H. D.	Reiley, J. A.
Bellrose, J. G.	Johnson, M. W.	Richardson, J. S.
Cutler, T. C.	Kimball, H. S.	Smith, J. B.
Drake, W. B.	Laduke, G. L.	Stone, W. L.
Donaldson, J. A.	Leprond, M.	Thayer, C. P.
Ferguson, O. B.	Loomis, G. I.	Tyler, Will A.
Fay, F. F.	Loomis, H. L.	Winnie, E. C.
Foster, Curt E.	Loomis, C. S.	34 members.

This company have property and equipments to the value of thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500).

WALTER N. GREENE HOSE COMPANY. "Independent."

Foreman, JAMES A. HARVEY.

1st Assistant,	H. K. WEAVER.
2d "	DAVID WALKER.
Secretary and Treasurer,	C. S. SPAULDING.
Auditor,	J. B. HENDERSON.

MEMBERS :

Taft, W. A.	Hoyt, Fred	Brinsmaid, F. T.
Taft, T. A.	Phelps, W. S.	Allen, F. E.
Ostrander, B. F.	Morgan, E. E.	Thomas, H. R.
Hicks, Clarence	Hatch, D. F.	Seymour, M. C.
Palmer, Chas.	Henderson, W. J.	Nangle, J.
Colbath, J. E.	Kelly, John J.	22 members.

SUTTON HOSE COMPANY NO. 9.
"Independent."

Foreman, A. M. HORNER.

1st Assistant,	R. WELCH.
2d "	M. MALONEY.
Clerk,	E. B. SNOBKINS.
Auditor,	J. MONTA.

MEMBERS :

Thompson, John	Sullivan, John	McCuen, Wm.
Lee, Ed. F.	Moore, John	Amblo, Louis
Johnson, Ed. F.	Francis, James	Brown, Michael
Spaulding, Edgar	Welch, Thomas	O'Brien, P.
Casey, Edward	Maloney, Michael	Calligan, James
Daley, Edward	Hamlin, Wm.	Daley, J. W.
Haley, James	Daley, Wm.	25 members.

PROPERTY OWNED BY SUTTON HOSE COMPANY NO. 9.
"INDEPENDENT."

Twenty-five uniforms, 1 hose cart, 300 feet hose ; all in good order.

CARRY-OWEN HOSE COMPANY—"Independent."

(Organized Aug. 28th, 1875.)

Foreman, J. J. SHEA.

1st Assistant,	HENRY FRENIER.
2d "	FRED. F. MERRILL.
Pipeman,	C. BROUILLETTE.
Secretary,	E. LYNCH.

MEMBERS :

Hathaway, Arthur	Finneran, Ed.	Finneran, John
Liberty, Hector	Mead, Allie	Hamilton, Chas.
Hudson, Wm.	Quinn, John	Hudson, Ed.
Mulqueen, John	Scott, Ed.	Mitchell, Jacob
Willett, Ed.	Yalter, Jas.	Waters, Henry
Henry, Jas.	Thompson, John	Hughes, Chas.
Johnson, Ed.	Wakefield, Jas.	25 members.

LIST OF PROPERTY.

One skeleton hose cart, 300 feet hose ; hose cart and hose, all in good order.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

In accordance with the duties of my office, I have the honor to submit to you the following annual report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1876:

In submitting my report, I desire to tender my sincere thanks to the superintendent of streets, and the overseer of the poor, from whom I received kind and valuable assistance in the discharge of my duties; and also, to the chief of police, who has greatly aided me by his zeal and efficiency in executing my orders.

NUISANCES.

There have been but few complaints of violations of the ordinance in regard to nuisances, and with two exceptions, the offending persons have willingly complied with my requests, rendering the service of an order upon them unnecessary. The keeping of swine within the city limits, is a fast-growing evil, and has been a source of a great deal of annoyance during the past year. Many complaints of this nuisance have been made, and although the styres have been cleansed, upon my request, they soon become as filthy as before, and I have been under the necessity of abolishing them altogether. I would call your attention to this increasing evil, and would respectfully recommend the passage of an ordinance prohibiting the keeping of swine within certain limits.

WATER.

The question of securing a supply of good potable water for the city, is still unsettled, although I *hear* that the subject is under the consideration of a committee of your honorable body. I am surprised that the river has been mentioned as possibly affording a purer supply of water than our lake, when the experience of nearly every sanitary investigator, has proven that lake water is far superior to that obtained from a river, for drinking purposes. The injurious substances that a river

receives from pastures and manured fields, are held in suspension by the rapidity of its current, and its passage over rocks, and is only deposited after it reaches the lake, forming the deltas usually found at mouths of rivers. It is also further purified by the oxidizing action of the waves. I should recommend that the improvement of our present source of supply should occupy our chief attention, and thus avoid the cost of new mains, and other expenses, that a change of water source would necessarily involve.

HOSPITALS.

In addition to the convenient and commodious small-pox hospital—the usefulness of which has already been demonstrated—the city is to be congratulated on the prospect of possessing, at no distant day, a free hospital. Through the kindness and far-sighted philanthropy of one of our most benevolent citizens, to whom we are already deeply indebted, our city will number among its most useful institutions, the Mary Fletcher hospital. A wise and public-spirited board of directors have been selected by the donor, and their names are a guarantee of the future usefulness of the institution they will be called upon to manage.

SMALL-POX.

In April, 1876, a case of confluent small-pox occurred in the tenement house on Main street, near Battery street, and I immediately removed the family to the small-pox hospital, and provided them with attendants and everything necessary for their maintenance. On the fifth day the child died, and every precaution was taken to prevent the spread of the disease. The clothing of the attendants were all destroyed, and new clothing furnished them. From the crowded condition of the tenement from which they were taken, and the great number of children composing the families who occupied it, I was gratified to find that the prompt isolation of the case, combined with thorough vaccination of the inmates, and the total destruction of everything that could transmit the disease, this proved to be the only case. And this result demonstrates that prompt isolation, combined with the ener-

getic use of preventives and disinfectants is the best policy, both economical and humane, that our city can pursue.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS.

In 1875 there were 311 births recorded as occurring within the city—166 males, and 145 females.

In 1876 there were 283 births—146 males and 137 females.

MARRIAGES.

In 1875 there were 106 marriages, and in 1876 but 70, showing a falling off of 36.

DEATHS.

In 1875 there were 144 deaths, divided into 82 males, 61 females and 1 unknown.

In 1876, there were 148 deaths, consisting of 65 males and 83 females. In 1876, there were 12 deaths from consumption, against 12 in 1875; 28 children died of infantile diseases under 1 year of age in 1876, against 26 in 1875. In 1876 there were 19 deaths from diphtheria, while in 1875 there were none reported. In 1875 there were 4 deaths from old age, and in 1876 there were 7, one of whom, Louis V. A. Henry, reached 109, and *undoubtedly* disproving the statement often made, that all cases of reported centennarians are false.

In conclusion, I would again earnestly call your attention to the absolute necessity, in the interests of science, of so amending the regulations by which these *data* are collected, as to secure more correct and scientific returns of the deaths occurring within the city.

At present, these statistics are taken in the month of January, for the preceding year, and consist of house to house visitations by young men, to whom are given the answers to the various questions asked. Too often it has been found that from forgetfulness, or motives of delicacy, wrong information has been imparted, rendering that which should be of the

greatest value to statisticians, comparatively worthless. An incident occurred during the gathering of the statistics of 1876, which forcibly illustrates this point. There were reported 6 deaths from small-pox as having occurred in January 1876, whereas they occurred in 1875, as the records in my office demonstrated. I subjoin a table of deaths, for the year 1876, showing the months in which they occurred, with ages, causes of death, and total number of each sex.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES P. THAYER, M. D.,
Health Officer.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Jan. 16, 1876.

STREET DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

GEO. W. BECKWITH, Sup't from Dec. 31, 1875, to April 26, 1876.

Cash Receipts.

Dr.

Rec'd of G. D. Weller, City Treasurer, \$2,141 05
 " individuals for labor, material,
 manure, etc., 143 08—\$2,284 13

1876	Cash Account.		Cr.
Jan'y	1	By balance due cash ac't Dec. 31, '75, . . .	\$ 71 32
Feb'y	16	" voucher 1, H. S. Lane, repairs,	3 50
	26	" " Pay-Roll No. 1, to date, . .	137 25
March	1	" " 2, E. J. Bunker, wood,	1 75
	2	" " 3, Drew & Conger, straw, . .	7 50
		" " 4, Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., twine,	30
	4	" Pay-Roll No. 2,	57 75
	9	" " 5, J. A. Madden, balance sewer ac't,	498 22
	10	" " 6, T. Robinson, stalks,	5 00
	11	" Pay-Roll No. 3,	86 25
	18	" " 4,	30 75
	25	" " 5,	48 75
		" " 7, A. Stone, drawing timber, .	1 00
April	1	" " 8, R. B. Stearns & Co., arnica, .	20
		" " 9, Geo. I. Hagar, buckle, . . .	30
		" " 10, Harrington & Kern, oats and provender,	106 75

April	1	by voucher	11, R. R. freight, cart hubs, ..	2 11
	3	" "	12, E. J. Bunker, wood,	3 50
		"	Pay-Roll No. 6,	97 13
	10	"	" " 7,	66 76
	11	" "	13, A. J. Hathaway, drawing earth,	1 75
	13	" "	14, W. H. Pollard, powders, ..	1 00
	15	" "	15, R. P. Sattley, oats,	19 25
		" "	16, F. J. Hendee, hay,	15 26
	17	" "	17, Gas Light Co., gas,	45
		"	Pay-Roll No. 8,	89 25
	18	" "	18, L. Austin, water spout, ...	18 20
		" "	19, " " North Bend,	54 03
	20	" "	20, Wm. Scott, grade books, ..	8 00
		" "	21, Ripley & Holton, paint, ..	3 20
		" "	22, Wm. Howe, rubber boots, ..	5 25
		" "	23, A. A. Drew, hay,	29 17
		" "	24, L. C. Dodge, wheel-barrow, ..	15 00
	21	" "	25, J. Lowry, paint,	5 00
		" "	26, G. I. Hagar, oil,	1 00
	24	" "	27, G. H. Bostwick, work,	3 25
		" "	28, Roby Bros., book-case,	6 96
		" "	29, E. W. Peck & Co., cement, ..	2 00
		" "	30, S. Huntington & Co.,	5 49
		" "	31, A. G. Strong, sundries, ...	9 77
		" "	32, Wheelock & Griffin, sundries,	65
		" "	33, John Hayes, wood,	4 00
		" "	34, Shepard, Davis & Co., lumber,	28 54
		" "	35, A. G. Pierce, sundries,	4 45
		" "	36, J. Jenkins, work,	64 47
		" "	37, W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, ..	22 55
		"	Pay-Roll No. 9,	114 39
	25	" "	38, H. S. Lane, work,	2 75
		" "	39, A. Crosby, "	26 83
		" "	40, Wilkins & Lyman, barn rent,	25 00

April 25 by voucher 41, Van Sicklen, Walker & Co.,

		salt,.....	60
"	"	42, A. Laduke, use sleighs,...	2 50
"	"	43, Harrington & Kern, oats,.	33 50
"	"	44, H. S. White, oil,.....	60
"		Pay-Roll No. 10,.....	32 00
"	"	45, G. W. Beckwith, sundries,.	19 90
"	"	46, " services,.	319 44
"	"	47, C. B. Gray's bill,.....	6 90
"	"	48, J. Jenkins,.....	10 00
"	"	49, G. D. Weller, treasurer, to balance,	45 69

\$2,284 13

Distribution.

City Hall Park,.....	\$	20	00	
Battery Park,.....		54	03	
North Bend washout,.....		114	08	
Winooski avenue sewer for 1875,.....		498	22	
Highways,.....		1,180	78	
Incidental expenses,		143	08	
Expenses of teams while in the service of J. A. Madden,		228	25	
Paid to City Treasurer, to credit of Highway Fund,.....		45	60	\$2,284 13

GEO. W. BECKWITH.

Superintendent.

Your auditors find that Superintendent Beckwith has vouchers, approved by the street commissioners, for the expenditures in his department, as shown in the above statement. The item of \$228.25 is not, in our opinion, properly chargeable to the Street Department, as this expense was incurred during the time the teams were at work on the railroad in Cambridge, and in the service of J. A. Madden.

C. F. WARD,
WM. G. WATSON, } Auditors.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

WILLIAM ZOTTMAN, Sup't from April 25, to December 30, 1876.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

JANUARY 1, 1877.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit a brief statement of the work done in the Department of Streets from April 25th to December 30, 1876. The greater portion of the work done on the streets, was made with a view of having it permanent, so that they will need but very little more repairs for several years.

STREETS.

On Main street have taken care of the water flowing from Mineral Spring; put in twelve-inch cement tile from Union street to Ravine sewer.

High street and Shelburn street, a portion of each is graded and thoroughly repaired; also made thorough repairs on Winooski and Colchester avenues to the Falls.

SEWERS.

There have been laid, the past season, the following Sewers, showing the length and cost of each, and the amount of assessments.

In St. Paul street, commencing at a culvert crossing the road near Kilburn & Gates' mill, four feet east of the center line of said street, thence southerly three hundred and twenty feet, to a man-hole in the center line of Spruce street, and six feet east of the center line of St. Paul street. The first eighteen feet is laid with thirty-six-inch cement pipe, and three hun-

dred and two feet is laid with eight-inch brick wall thirty-six inches in diameter, all laid ten feet below the established grade of the street, at a cost of \$1,340.93.

In Spruce street, commencing at man-hole in St. Paul street, running easterly in the center line of said Spruce street, 391 $\frac{7}{10}$ feet, to a lantern tube, laid with eighteen-inch cement pipe, ten feet below the established grade of the street, at a cost of \$664.12. Total cost of St. Paul and Spruce streets sewers, \$2,005.05, less three dollars credit.

Assessed on the abutting property,.....	\$ 504 16
Assessed on the City of Burlington,.....	1,497 89

\$2,002 05

In Pine street, commencing at the north end of Pine street sewer formerly laid, and sixty-six feet south of a man-hole in the center line of Bank street, thence northerly in the center line of Pine street 874 feet, to a man-hole in the center line of Pearl street, laid with twelve-inch cement pipe, ten feet below the established grade of said street; has a man-hole at Bank street, also at Cherry street. Total cost \$947.30, less \$17 credit.

Assessed on abutting property,.....	\$794 60
Assessed on City of Burlington,.....	135 70

\$930 30

In Pearl street, commencing at a man-hole in the center line of Pine street, thence easterly in the center line of Pearl street, 400 feet to a man-hole in the center line of St. Paul street, with a lantern tube at the center line of George street, laid with 24-inch cement pipe, and connection made with St. Paul street sewer, thence easterly in the center line of Pearl street, 206 feet, to a lantern tube in the center line of Locust street, laid with 18-inch cement pipe, all laid ten feet below the established grade, at a cost of \$1,034.56, less six dollars credit.

Assessed on abutting property,.....	\$558 81
Assessed on City of Burlington,.....	469 75

\$1,028 56

In Locust street, commencing at a lantern tube in the center line of Pearl street, thence northerly in the center line of said Locust street 663 feet, to a man-hole in the center line of Grant street, laid with 18-inch cement pipe, ten feet below the established grade, costing \$913.23, less \$12.50 credit.

Assessed on abutting property, \$681 48
 Assessed on City of Burlington, 219 25

\$900 73

In Ravine, commencing at the south end of the culvert crossing at the south-west corner of Church and Maple streets, repaired the culvert, and constructed 50 feet of brick sewer, with eight-inch wall, and a well 12 feet deep, seven feet in diameter at the base, and two feet at the top, 12 inches thick, covered with an iron cap; thence south-westerly 100 feet, with 36-inch cement pipe, at a cost of \$693.49. No assessment made.

In Union street, commencing at a culvert crossing Union street, south of Pearl street, thence northerly in the center line of said Union street, 1,566 feet, to a lantern tube at the intersection with Loomis street, with a four-inch brick wall; from Loomis street southerly, 1,169 feet, is thirty inches in diameter, and the balance, 397 feet, is twenty-four inches in diameter, at a point $425\frac{8}{12}$ feet from Loomis street is a man-hole; also one at Pearl street, $323\frac{4}{12}$ feet north of center line of Pearl street, is a lantern tube; at Loomis street it is laid ten feet below the established grade, and thence to Pearl street to a point $13\frac{5}{12}$ feet below the established grade; from Loomis to Pearl street it has a fall of $6\frac{7}{16}$ inches to every hundred feet, from Pearl street south 233 feet to a drop well, has a fall of $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches to every hundred feet, thence $267\frac{5}{12}$ feet has a fall of 8 feet and $10\frac{5}{12}$ inches to every hundred feet, thence $130\frac{5}{12}$ feet has a fall of $24\frac{7}{12}$ inches to every hundred feet: at a cost of \$3,146.79.

Assessed on abutting property, \$1,653 38
 Assessed on City of Burlington, 1,493 41

\$3,146 79

CURBING STREETS.

There has been laid twenty-four feet of curbing at the corner of College street and Winooski avenue, and fourteen feet at the corner of Spruce and St. Paul streets, to form the street corner, at the expense of the City.

On the west side of Church street, John Liscum, II. Blood and Miss Cody laid one hundred and two feet curbing, and paved the gutter at their own expense.

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.

On Main street between Union street and Ravine, laid 384 feet twelve-inch cement pipe, at a cost of \$284.82.

On Loomis street, laid 206 feet three-inch cement pipe, and covered the same with cobble stone, forming a blind drain, at a cost of of \$62.47.

On Maple street, between Union and Willard streets, laid 384 feet three-inch tile at a cost of \$135 50.

On Union street, between Main and College streets, laid 284 feet four-inch tile, at a cost of \$95.51.



FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

R E C E I P T S .

From G. D. Weller, City Treasurer, on account of street, sewer and park department,	\$16,996 88
From Ripley Sons, for two horses, wagon, etc.,	500 00
From individuals making sewer con- nections,	38 50
From city teams, earnings, per pay rolls,	1,027 75
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	\$18,563 13

DISBURSEMENTS.

To paid street department, general repairs,.....	\$ 4,664 46
“ General and office expenses,.....	66 50
“ Repairing bridges,.....	140 74
“ “ tools,.....	75 93
“ Tools and stock,.....	85 60
“ Street basins, ..	332 72
“ W. Zottman, Sup't, on salary,.....	463 34
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Total for streets,.....	\$ 5,829 29
“ Sewer, Winooski ave., balance ac't in '75,	2,279 77
“ Sewer department for 1876,.....	8,740 42
“ City teams' expenses,.....	1,050 23
“ City and Battery parks,.....	368 04
“ Mineral spring,.....	57 75
“ City hall and market,.....	17 81
“ Street lights,.....	84 25
Cash on hand,.....	135 57
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	\$18,563 13

For detailed statement see the following distribution by streets:

ADAMS STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$ 38 19
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ALLEN STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$ 20 00
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ARCHIBALD STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$ 20 50
“ L. C. Dodge, for lumber voucher 178,....	4 00
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	\$24 50

BANK STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	2 00
“ Brink & Co., castings, voucher 8,.....	7 04
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\$	9 04

BATTERY STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	12 25
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BATTERY PLACE.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	44 37
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WINOOSKI BRIDGE.

To paid A. R. & G. M. Duncan repairs, vouchers 28 and 90,.....\$	8 50
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POTASH BROOK BRIDGE.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	21 25
“ Roby Bro's, carpenter work, voucher 95,..	16 38
“ G. I. Hagar, hardware, voucher 96,.....	3 65
“ L. Whitney, building bridge, voucher 106,	39 70
“ Free Press Association, print'g, “ 107,	2 00
“ A. N. Merchant, print'g, voucher 108,....	2 00
“ W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, “ 115,....	43 43
“ D. C. Linsley, “ “ 123,....	3 83
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\$	132 24

CHAMPLAIN STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	54 63
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CHASE STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	10 25
“ W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, voucher 57,..	2 79
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\$	13 04

CHURCH STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	78 45
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CHERRY STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	3 25
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CLIFF STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	4 00
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COLLEGE STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	155 43
“ I. J. Weatherwax, stone, voucher 125,...	37 00
“ Wilkins & Lyman, rent, “ 168,...	11 13
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\$	203 56

COLLEGE STREET BASIN.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making basin,.....\$	53 62
“ Walker Bro's & Co., stone, voucher 154,.	26 20
“ Ripley Sons, tile, voucher 155,.....	7 87
“ Frank Le Clair, brick, voucher 165,....	26 60
“ Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., cement, voucher 172,.....	9 90
“ Brink & Co., castings, voucher 174,.....	9 69
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., iron work, voucher 175,.....	1 43
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\$	135 31

COLCHESTER AVENUE.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	285 63
“ Ripley Sons, tile, voucher 31,....	40 80
“ Shepard, Morse & Co., lumber, voucher. 170,.....	11 20
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\$	337 63

EAST AVENUE.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	25 81
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FRONT STREET.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	13 00
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HIGH STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	85 93
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HYDE STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	3 50
“ L. C. Dodge, lumber, voucher 178,.....		1 00
	\$	<u>4 50</u>

HOWARD STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	30 00
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GEORGE STREET BASIN.

Paid Brink & Co., voucher 174,.....	\$	9 69
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LAKE STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	3 00
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LOOMIS STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	108 82
“ G. S. Blodgett & Co., voucher 14,.....		2 44
“ W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, voucher 17,.....		1 80
“ Ripley Sons, tile, “ 51,.....		24 72
		<u>\$137 78</u>

UNION STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	187 93
“ G. S. Blodgett & Co., voucher 43,.....		38 08
“ Brink & Co., castings, “ 62,.....		4 50
“ H. Salls, labor, “ 63,.....		1 25
	\$	<u>231 76</u>

WILLARD STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	11 38
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WINOOSKI AVENUE.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	275 82
“ Ripley Sons, tile, voucher 66,.....		1 40
	\$	<u>277 22</u>

LEDGE ROAD.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	9 25
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MAIN STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	507 92
“ Ripley Sons for tile, voucher 51,		183 94
“ E. W. Peck & Co., cement, voucher 52,		2 00
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	\$	693 86

MAPLE STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	144 93
“ Blodgett & Co, plumbing, voucher 43,		32
“ W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, “ 57,		4 02
“ Wilkins & Lyman, tile, “ 60,		10 32
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	\$	159 59

MONROE STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	30 17
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MURRAY STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	36 25
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MINERAL SPRING.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	18 88
“ Roby Bro's, carpenter work, voucher 34,		1 20
“ G. S. Blodgett & Co., plumb'g, “ 43,		25 29
“ “ “ “ “ 86,		1 75
“ “ “ “ “ 161,		90
“ Roby Bro's, carpenter work, “ 177,		9 73
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	\$	57 75

NORTH STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	139 19
“ Ripley & Holton, hardware, voucher 75,		50
“ W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, “ 91,		6 78
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	\$	146 47

NORTH AVENUE.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	119 00
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OFFICE EXPENSES.

Paid S. Huntington & Co., stationery, voucher 6, .	\$	2 05
“ C. L. Hart, sundries, voucher 10,		15
“ Mark Thompson, printing, voucher 39,		75
“ S. Huntington & Co., station'y, “ 83,		1 00
“ William Scott, time-books, “ 162,		5 75
	\$	<u>9 70</u>

PATCHEN ROAD.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	22 63
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PEARL STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	48 62
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PERU STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	10 25
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PINE STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	10 38
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PROCTOR STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	57 00
“ W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, voucher 91,		12 87
	\$	<u>69 87</u>

PROSPECT STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	58 63
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CITY MARKET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	2 81
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CITY HALL.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making sewer,	\$	15 00
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INTERVALE ROAD.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,	\$	7 00
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SHELBURNE STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	433 92
“ G. N. Willard, stone, voucher 47,.....	1 98
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\$	435 90

SPEAR STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	6 75
“ W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, voucher 17,....	6 44
“ Ripley & Holton, hardware, “ 22,....	50
“ J. A. Beers, repairs on bridge, “ 41,....	5 08
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\$	18 77

SPRUCE STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	101 75
“ Ripley Sons, tile, voucher 103,.....	16 92
“ Brink & Co., castings, voucher 109,.....	22 00
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\$	140 67

SPRUCE STREET BASIN AND WELL.

Paid pay rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	48 87
“ Frank Le Clair, brick, voucher 87,.....	10 50
“ Brink & Co., castings, “ 74,.....	5 51
“ Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., cement, voucher 88,.....	4 13
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., iron work, voucher 73,.	2 12
“ Walker Bro's & Co., stone, voucher 79,....	11 10
“ Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., cement, voucher 102,.....	11 55
“ Frank Le Clair, brick, voucher 117,.....	23 10
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\$	116 88

ST. PAUL STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	66 12
“ Brink & Co., castings, voucher 74,.....	12 78
“ Ripley Sons, tile, “ 66,.....	18 00
“ “ “ “ 103,.....	8 46
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\$	105 36

ST. PAUL STREET BASIN.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	27	89
“ Ripley Sons, tile, voucher 66,.....		9	60
“ Brink & Co., castings, voucher 74,.....		5	51
“ Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., cement, voucher 88,.....		4	12
“ Walker Bro's & Co., stone, voucher 79,.....		11	10
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., iron work, voucher 73,.		2	12
“ Frank Le Clair, brick, voucher 87,.....		10	50
	\$	70	84

SUMMIT STREET.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	22	75
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WINOOSKI ROAD.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	332	51
“ Duffy Lavelle, labor, voucher 1,.....		4	58
“ L. C. Dodge, lumber, “ 3,.....		11	00
	\$	348	09

Paid W. Zottman, Sup't, salary,.....	\$	463	34
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STREET LIGHTS.

Paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	3	13
“ G. S. Blodgett & Co., repairs, voucher 14,..		12	57
“ A. G. Lucas & Son, “ “ 19,..		66	
“ “ “ “ 42,..		4	88
“ G. S. Blodgett & Co., “ “ 43,..		11	35
“ “ “ “ 86,..		22	21
“ “ “ “ 116,..		7	90
“ A. G. Lucas & Son, “ “ 99,..		67	
“ G. S. Blodgett & Co., “ “ 140,..		4	75
“ “ “ “ 161,..		10	64
“ A. G. Lucas & Son, “ “ 182,..		5	49
	\$	84	25

TOOLS AND STOCK.

Paid William Smith, repairs, voucher 12,.....	\$	6 50
“ E. H. Payn, “ “ 15,.....		4 14
“ Ripley & Holton, tools, “ 22,.....		4 43
“ Dike, Bixby & Co., “ “ 24,.....		6 72
“ National Express Co., freight, voucher 26,..		75
“ G. I. Hagar, tools, voucher 23,.....		5 25
“ Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., tools, voucher 35,		6 01
“ John Lowry, tools, voucher 37,.....		75
“ T. W. Fisher & Co., tools, voucher 40,.....		6 00
“ Blodgett & Co., “ “ 43,.....		2 90
“ Shedd & Walkers, “ “ 48,.....		13 55
“ A. G. Peirce, “ “ 56,.....		13 70
“ Ripley & Holton, “ “ 61,.....		1 15
“ G. I. Hagar, “ “ 81,.....		85
“ G. H. Bostwick, “ “ 82,.....		5 00
“ A. G. Peirce, “ “ 78,.....		2 15
“ Ripley & Holton, “ “ 75,.....		40
“ Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., tools, voucher 102,		2 70
“ Ripley & Holton, tools, voucher 180,.....		1 60
“ A. G. Peirce, “ “ 173,.....		1 05
	\$	85 60

REPAIRING TOOLS.

Paid G. H. Bostwick, repairs, voucher 2,.....	\$	20
“ Roby Bro's, “ “ 4,.....		75
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., repairs, voucher 11,...		1 84
“ A. R. & G. M. Duncan, “ “ 28,...		7 55
“ William Smith, “ “ 44,...		75
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., “ “ 45,...		12 37
“ G. H. Bostwick, “ “ 64,...		60
“ James E. Burke, “ “ 70,...		25
“ A. R. & G. M. Duncan, “ “ 90,...		3 95
“ E. H. Payn, “ “ 93,...		30
“ G. H. Bostwick, “ “ 118,...		11 80

" Williams, Page & Co., cart hubs, voucher 152,	33 00
" Roby Bro's, repairs, voucher 177,.....	37
" G. H. Bostwick, repairs, voucher 176,.....	2 20
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	\$ 75 93

GENERAL REPAIRS.

To paid pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....\$	499 71
" W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, voucher 17,..	7 95
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	\$ 507 66

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid C. L. Hart, sundries, voucher 10,.....\$	1 00
" Ripley & Holton, hardware, voucher 22,....	3 40
" Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., cement, voucher 35,.....	1 65
" W. & D. G. Crane, lumber, voucher 57,....	6 63
" Ripley & Holton, hardware, " 75,....	20
" W. Zottman, lumber, " 77,....	9 50
" Roby Bro's, carpenter work, " 95,....	1 82
" G. I. Hagar, hardware, " 96,....	3 55
" A. G. Peirce, " " 97,....	1 30
" Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., cement, voucher 144,.....	16
" Ripley & Holton, hardware, voucher 180,....	1 29
" William Howe, repairs, " 156,....	3 75
" G. I. Hagar, hardware, " 159,....	65
" Lillie & Parker, oil, " 169,....	1 90
" A. Laduke, piling ground, " 171,....	20 00
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	\$ 56 80

SEWERS.

ST. PAUL STREET SEWER.

Paid pay-rolls for labor,.....\$	457 63
" Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., voucher 35,....	3 30
" J. E. Burke, " 50,....	40
" W. & D. G. Crane, " 57,....	9 44

" W. E. Crooker,	voucher 65,....	357 85
" J. E. Burke,	" 70,....	80
" Ripley Sons,	" 66,....	27 00
" Lillie & Parker,	" 71,....	90
" Brink & Co.,	" 74,....	17 95
" Frank Le Clair,	" 76,....	312 20
" W. Zottman,	" 77,....	3 92
" Walker Bro's & Co.,	" 79,....	10 25
" Frank Le Clair,	" 87,....	38 50
" Van Sicklen, Walker & Co.,	" 88,....	89 10
" W. & D. G. Crane,	" 91,....	11 69

\$ 1,340 93

SPRUCE STREET SEWER.

Paid pay-rolls for labor,.....	\$	256 30
" Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., voucher 88,....		1 65
" W. & D. G. Crane,	" 91,....	14 56
" Ripley Sons,	" 103,....	387 61
" Brink & Co.,	" 109,....	3 00
" B. S. Nichols & Co.,	" 113,....	1 00

\$ 664 12

PINE STREET SEWER.

Paid pay-rolls for labor,.....	\$	430 83
" Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., voucher 102,....		11 55
" W. Zottman,	" 105,....	1 75
" Brink & Co.,	" 109,....	35 00
" J. E. Burke,	" 110,....	1 00
" Frank Le Clair,	" 114,....	17 50
" W. & D. G. Crane,	" 115,....	24 84
" H. S. Lane,	" 119,....	2 00
" Lillie & Parker,	" 121,....	1 00
" Ripley Sons,	" 150,....	407 00
" Moses Murray,	" 146,....	83
" Nash & Wardlow,	" 142,....	4 00
" Burlington Water Works,	" 153, ...	10 00

\$ 947 30

PEARL STREET SEWER.

Paid	pay-rolls for labor,.....	\$	313 75
"	W. & D. G. Crane, voucher 128,....		11 93
"	Frank Le Clair, " 130,....		35 00
"	Shepard, Morse & Co., " 131,....		11 90
"	Brink & Co., " 133,....		41 28
"	B. S. Nichols & Co., " 136,....		1 52
"	Lillie & Parker, " 137,....		1 00
"	G. H. Bostwick, " 141,....		1 00
"	W. E. Crooker, " 143,....		50
"	Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., " 144,....		14 85
"	Moses Murray, " 146,....		83
"	C. B. Gray, " 147,....		3 50
"	Ripley Sons, " 151,....		587 50
"	Burlington Water Works, " 153, ...		10 00
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			\$ 1,034 56

LOCUST STREET SEWER.

Paid	pay-rolls for labor,.....	\$	278 25
"	Ripley Sons, voucher 151,....		581 90
"	Frank Le Clair, " 148,....		16 10
"	Moses Murray, " 146,....		84
"	Van Sicklen, Walker & Co., " 144,....		6 60
"	G. H. Bostwick, " 141,....		90
"	Lillie & Parker, " 137,....		1 00
"	Brink & Co., " 133,....		17 64
"	Burlington Water Works, " 153,....		10 00
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			\$ 913 23

UNION STREET SEWER.

aid	Brink & Co., voucher 133,....		38 28
"	Burlington Manfg Co., " 135,....		75
"	B. S. Nichols & Co., " 136,....		95
"	W. E. Crooker, " 143,....	3,105	06
"	R. McLaughlin, " 149,....		25
"	Ripley Sons, " 151,....		45
"	Blodgett & Co., " 116,....		1 05
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			\$ 3,146 79

RAVINE SEWER, CHURCH AND MAPLE STREETS.

Paid	pay-rolls for labor,.....	\$	161 99
"	Shepard, Morse & Co., voucher 94,....		11 50
"	A. G. Peirce, " 97,....		2 50
"	Brink & Co., " 109,....		17 50
"	Hiram Salls, " 126,....		404 00
"	Ripley Sons, " 150,....		96 00
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			\$ 693 49

WINOOSKI AVENUE SEWER.

Paid Ripley Sons, balance of '75, voucher 124,....\$ 2,279 77

RECAPITULATION BY STREETS.

Sewer, St. Paul street, total amount,.....	\$	1,340 93
" Spruce " "		664 12
" Pine " "		947 30
" Pearl " "		1,034 56
" Locust " "		913 23
" Union " "		3,146 79
" Ravine,		693 49
Sewer expenditures for 1876,.....		8,740 42
" Winooski avenue for 1875,.....		2,279 77
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Total,.....	\$	11,020 19

PARKS.

CITY HALL PARK.

Paid	pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	101 52
"	G. S. Blodgett & Co., voucher 14,....		8 16
"	A. G. Peirce, " 16,....		2 21
"	Ripley & Holton, " 61,....		5 15
"	G. I. Hagar, " 81,....		26 50
"	R. I. Pierson, " 122,....		1 35
"	A. G. Peirce, " 173,....		3 00
"	Thomas Mann, " 160,....		8 00
"	Ed. Dwyer, " 166,....		14 00
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			\$ 169 89

BATTERY PARK.

Paid	pay-rolls for labor making repairs,.....	\$	175	52
"	Roby Bro's, voucher 4,....		3	47
"	G. S. Blodgett & Co., " 14,....		10	48
"	E. W. Peck & Co., " 21,....		4	00
"	L. C. Dodge, " 36,....		1	20
"	A. G. Peirce, " 56,....		1	60
"	Ripley & Holton, " 61,....			43
"	B. S. Nichols & Co., " 45, ..		1	20
"	Hubert Blair, " 164,....			25
		\$	198	15
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Total expenditures on parks,.....	\$	368	04	

CITY TEAMS.

Dr.

Paid	pay-rolls for hostler care of teams,.....	\$	225	00
"	G. H. Bostwick, voucher 2,....		9	20
"	J. E. Burke, " 5,....		1	75
"	Brink & Co., " 8,....		3	00
"	Vincent, Taft & Co., " 9,....		2	30
"	C. L. Hart, " 10,....			50
"	B. S. Nichols & Co., " 11,....		1	20
"	William Smith, " 12,....		8	35
"	A. McGaffey, " 13,....		13	50
"	Drew & Conger, " 18,....		1	50
"	E. W. Peck & Co., " 20,....		7	30
"	Ripley & Holton, " 22,....		2	35
"	C. P. Smith, " 25,....		70	00
"	P. E. & J. E. Smith, " 27,....		14	25
"	W. H. Pollard, " 32,....		4	25
"	Harrington & Kern, " 33,....		26	40
"	L. C. Dodge, " 36,....		48	40
"	P. E. & J. E. Smith, " 38,....		26	88
"	Vincent, Taft & Co., " 46,....		1	65
"	G. N. Willard, " 47,....			20
"	Harry Russell, " 49,....		28	53

Paid	J. E. Burke,	"	50,....	1 28
"	E. W. Peck & Co.,	"	53,....	46 65
"	S. K. Isham,	"	54,....	4 83
"	A. McGaffey,	"	55,....	7 60
"	M. W. Hinsdill,	"	58,....	12 74
"	Drew & Conger,	"	59,....	1 90
"	Ripley & Holton,	"	61,....	1 30
"	G. H. Bostwick,	"	64,....	18 42
"	E. W. Peck & Co.,	"	67,....	4 80
"	Wilkins & Lyman,	"	68,....	18 75
"	C. P. Smith,	"	69,....	32 40
"	J. E. Burke,	"	70,....	2 16
"	W. Smith,	"	72,....	16 75
"	Ripley & Holton,	"	75,....	50
"	A. McGaffey,	"	80,....	4 05
"	G. I. Hagar,	"	81,....	1 50
"	G. H. Bostwick,	"	82,....	11 19
"	Harrington & Kern,	"	84,....	30 70
"	Vincent, Taft & Co.,	"	85,....	2 10
"	E. B. Lane,	"	92,....	13 03
"	E. W. Peck & Co.,	"	98,....	51 65
"	William Smith,	"	100,....	8 20
"	Wilkins & Lyman,	"	101,....	10 55
"	Van Sicklen, Walker & Co.,	"	102,....	60
"	W. H. Pollard,	"	104,....	1 00
"	J. E. Burke,	"	110,....	2 05
"	C. P. Smith,	"	111,....	58 50
"	A. McGaffey,	"	112,....	5 45
"	G. H. Bostwick,	"	118,....	2 70
"	H. S. Lane,	"	119,....	50
"	J. V. S. Maeck,	"	132,....	14 13
"	A. McGaffey,	"	134,....	2 15
"	C. P. Smith,	"	138,....	18 75
"	H. C. Lord,	"	139,....	11 53
"	G. H. Bostwick,	"	141,....	1 00
"	E. W. Peck & Co.,	"	129,....	24 00
"	Van Sicklen, Walker & Co.,	"	172,....	15
"	C. P. Smith,	"	157,....	28 80
"	A. McGaffey,	"	158,....	2 50

Paid Vincent, Taft & Co.,	"	163,....	85
" Poor Farm,	"	179,....	18 00
" Ripley & Holton,	"	180,....	2 21
" Wm. Smith,	"	180,....	2 25
" J. V. S. Maeck,	"	181,....	12 90
" G. H. Bostwick,	"	176,....	10 05
" A. A. Drew,	"	7,....	30 60
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			\$ 1,050 23

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By earnings as per weekly pay-roll, . . . \$1,027 75

Total amount of disbursements, \$18,427 56

Cash on hand, 135 57

\$18,563 13

The superintendent's office and tool rooms, are now located at the city market, where we have ample room, and what we now need is a barn for the horses. At present we are hiring a barn of Wilkins & Lyman, at a rent of \$75 per annum, which is located at the lake and is remote from a great portion of the work. By having a barn on city market grounds, would save ten per cent. in time. I would suggest to the authorities that they build a suitable barn the coming spring.

W. ZOTTMAN,

Superintendent.

NOTE.—I learn from the city treasurer, the street department has to their credit \$848.17.

We have examined the books and vouchers of Wm. Zottman, superintendent of streets, and compared them with the foregoing statement, and find each correct.

BURLINGTON, Jan. 20, 1877.

C. F. WARD,	}	Auditors.
WM. G. WATSON,		
GEO. W. BECKWITH.		

REPORT

— OF THE —

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

Your cemetery commissioners respectfully report their cash receipts from Jan. 1, 1876, to Dec. 31, 1876, inclusive, to wit :

Cash from last year's account,.....	\$ 319 51
Collected from old ac't of '74 and '75,....	\$ 32 50
Miscellaneous credits,.....	19 33
	—————\$ 51 83
Opening and filling graves, Lake View,..	\$137 00
Cutting grass on burial lots,.....	182 25
Filling up burial lots,.....	220 26
	—————\$ 539 51
Fees for use of city vault,.....	32 00
Received from City Treasurer,....	200 00
	—————
	\$ 1,142 85
Proceeds of sales of burial lots for 1876,..	900 09
	—————
Total.....	\$ 2,042 94

EXPENDITURES.

Pay-rolls as per time-book, to wit:

Dan Lyon, commissioner,.....	\$538 12	
Eli Poquette, sexton, \$400 per year,.....	401 50	
Other labor,.....	348 06	
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Incidentals,.....	\$ 19 75	
Repairs, mason and stone work on fountain,	262 96	
Feed and straw,.....	58 90	
Shoeing and smith work,.....	24 02	
Seed,.....	25 70	
Vault money refunded,.....	3 00	
Lawn mowers,.....	39 00	
Insurance,.....	13 10	
Buffalo robe and lining,.....	12 75	
	<hr/>	\$ 459 18
Paid to City Treasurer,.....		200 00
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		\$ 1,946 86
Cash in hands of commissioners,.....		96 08
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		\$ 2,042 94

DAN LYON,	}	<i>Cemetery Commissioners.</i>
GEO. FRANCIS,		
JOEL H. HOLTON,		

RECORD OF THE AGGREGATE SALES OF BURIAL LOTS IN LAKE
VIEW CEMETERY TO DECEMBER 31, 1876.

Whole number of lots sold prior to Jan. 1, 1876, 277—cash receipts,.....	\$12,940 26
Sales of lots the past year, .....24 cash receipts,.....	\$ 900 09
Total number lots sold, .....301	<hr/>
cash receipts,.....	\$13,840 35

INTERMENT RECORD.

Original interments to Jan. 1, 1876,.....	312
Interments the past year,.....	44
	——356
Removals to Lake View to Jan. 1, 1876,.....	179
Removals the past year,.....	30
	——209
Total number of interments in Lake View Cemetery,....	565

DAN LYON,	}	<i>Cemetery Commissioners.</i>
GEO. FRANCIS,		
JOEL H. HOLTON,		

Your auditors find the above account of the Cemetery Commissioners correct so far as made up, showing a balance of cash in their hands of \$96,08.

We find there is due the City Treasury the following, which does not appear in the above account :

Balance due Treasury Jan. 1. 1876,.....	\$ 29 27
Balance sales of lots, not deposited,....	19 20
Water Tax for 1876,.....	100 00
	—————
	\$ 148 47

Showing a deficiency of \$52 39.

C. F. WARD,	}	Auditors.
WM. G. WATSON		
GEO. W. BECKWITH,		

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE.

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To the Honorable City Council :

As Chief of Police I have the honor of submitting the following report for the year ending December 31st, 1876 :

The whole number of arrests made by the Police Department during the year is 612, and may be classified as follows :

For Intoxication	283
“ breach of peace.....	68
“ assault and battery.....	17
“ “ with intent to kill.....	6
“ grand larceny	20
“ petit “	9
“ receiving stolen goods.....	5
“ burglary.....	2
“ “ and grand larceny	7
“ “ and petit “	2
“ open and gross lewdness	11
“ murder	1
“ arson.....	2
“ attempted arson	1
“ selling liquor.....	143
“ violation of city ordinance.	13
“ keeping house of ill-fame	9
“ impeding officer	1
“ illicit intercourse	3

" violation of Sunday law	1
" vagrancy	4
" cruelty to animals	2
" breaking jail	1
illegally getting names on voting list	4
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Total	612
Increase over 1875	69

During the year just completed, the station house has furnished shelter for 653 persons.

The whole number of police is 39, of which number 31 are special police, or watchmen for the various lumber yards, depots and wharves, appointed in most instances in compliance with requests made by the proprietors of the same. The City is under obligations to such policemen, as they have often performed important duties in preserving the peace, and preventing violations of the City ordinances, thus saving the necessity of paid policemen in those localities.

Only one commission has been revoked, and that for intoxication. The police are distributed among the wards of the City as follows:

1st Ward	7
2d "	8
3d "	8
4th "	6
5th "	10

From May 25th to Oct. 31st, one patrolman was on duty at Battery Park and vicinity, at \$1 per night, since which time he has been on duty north of, and on North street, at the same compensation.

There have been two patrolmen on duty every night during the year, at \$2 each per night.

There are confined in jail at the present time, 23 prisoners charged with various crimes, only four of which are City prisoners.

The increased number of arrests over 1875, does not necessarily show a growing increase of crime in our city, as that might arise from other causes.

While the police department have not been able to suppress all crime, yet when our citizens compare the expense of our police department with that of other small cities, it must be conceded that ours is an efficient one. With a population of 14,387, as shown by the last census, the expense of our police department for 1875 was \$2,570, against that of the City of Portland for the same year, with a population of 20,000, whose police cost \$27,961.80. Salem, Mass., with 22,000 population, paid police expenses of \$33,965.21, while the expense of the police department of Lawrence Mass., with a population of 28,000, was \$35,816.02.

The total expense of the police department for the past year was 2,265.50, which is a reduction of the expense of the year 1875, of \$304.50.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. DREW,
Chief of Police.

Burlington, Jan'y 1st, 1877.

REPORT of the CITY ATTORNEY.

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, }
BURLINGTON, January 1, 1877. }

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to report the business of this office since Jan. 1, 1876.

The suit of W. L. Strong *vs.* The Street Commissioners which was pending in the Court of Chancery at the time of my last report, is now pending in the Supreme Court.

The cause has been heard, and a decree made, enjoining the City from using the strip of land between the foot-path and the piazza of Strong's building, that being covered by the King lease, and dismissing the bill with costs to the defendants, so far as the remainder of the park is concerned.

From this decree both parties have appealed, and the cause is to be heard at the general term of the Supreme Court, next November.

The case of John H. Cheever *vs.* J. A. Shedd *et als.*, which was then pending in the Circuit Court of the United States, has been decided in favor of the City; and the orator's bill dismissed without costs; leaving the City at liberty to grade and work Union street in accordance with the proposed plan.

The sewer assessment case of Wales & Taft *et als.* named in that report, will be heard this winter before the Commissioners appointed by the Court.

The case of State *vs.* Strong, for maintaining steps so as to encroach upon the sidewalk in Church street, has been ended as suggested in my last report it probably would be, by his removing the obstruction complained of.

Noah Allen and Sanford Wager have joined in an appeal from the sewer assessment made by the Street Commissioners, of the expenses of the sewer in Winooski avenue. Commissioners have been appointed to hear the same and report thereon to the Court. This case will be tried this winter.

S. W. Thayer has brought a suit against the City for injuries claimed to result to him by reason of the open sewer on the lot of the Hon. John N. Pomeroy; also for damages claimed to have been done him by the construction of the main ravine sewer on or near his land. I confidently expect that this suit will be settled without the expense of a trial to either party, by a satisfactory repair of the sewer complained of. On the first branch of the case, I am quite confident that the action cannot be maintained. As to the other branch, I am not now possessed of all the facts, and cannot, therefore, express an opinion.

There is pending in the County Court, the case of *State vs. Romeo H. Start*, for assault and battery, which prosecution was commenced by the Grand Juror of the City, and was appealed by the respondent. As the fine, if any is imposed, belongs to the City, and the City has the delightful pleasure of paying the costs of prosecution, the case now falls to this department to attend to—and I shall hope to see it closed at the April term of Court.

Hon. D. A. Smalley has taken an appeal from the assessment of the Street Commissioners, for the construction of St. Paul street sewer; and N. K. Brown has appealed from the assessment of the Street Commissioners for the construction of the Union street sewer.

The Overseer of the Poor has assumed the prosecution of the bastardy case of *Minnie Cabana vs. Thomas Maher, Jr.*

These three last-mentioned cases have not yet been entered in Court, having been commenced since last September term.

These are all the suits now pending in which the City is interested.

Several matters, not herein specified, have from time to time arisen during the year, threatening to involve the City in litigation—but the same have been adjusted in a manner satisfactory to the City, and have heretofore been reported to your body. It is, therefore, unnecessary to report them here.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. LAWRENCE,

City Attorney.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit a statement of the transactions and expenses of the Poor Department for the past year, ending December 31st, 1876 :

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1876,....	\$ 101 89
From Produce and other sources,...	231 86
From City Treasurer,	7000 00
	\$7333 75

DISBURSEMENTS.

Outside poor, 199 families, coal, wood, provisions and medicine,.....	\$ 2986 07
21 transient persons and families,.....	84 58
Food for tramps,...	12 55
City Physician,	200 00
Coal for poor-house,	196 28
L. P. Fuller, services at poor-house,.....	400 00
Overseer's salary to Oct. 25,.....	500 00
Vt. Insane Asylum,.....	789 95
Insurance on poor-house buildings,.....	24 47
Poor-house expenses,.....	2139 85
	\$ 7333 75

Wood on hand Jan. 1, 1877,.....\$345 00.

A. B. LOWRY, Overseer.

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the overseer of the poor, from Jan. 1, 1876, to Jan. 1, 1877, and find them correct as stated above.

BURLINGTON, Jan. 1, 1877.

C. F. WARD,	} Auditors.
WM. G. WATSON,	
GEO. W. BECKWITH.	

PRODUCE RAISED ON POOR FARM 1876.

18 tons hay, 150 bushels oats, 140 bushels ear corn, 20 bushels rye, 300 bushels potatoes, 10 bushels carrots, 15 bushels beets, 4 bushels beans, 16 bushels onions, 6 barrels apples, 3 barrels cider, 3 tons straw, $2\frac{1}{2}$ tons corn stalks, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton pork, 5 veal calves, 300 cabbages, 250 pumpkins.

PRODUCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1877.

14 tons hay, 75 bushels oats, 6 bushels carrots, $2\frac{1}{2}$ bushels beans, 20 bushels ear corn, 10 bushels beets, 200 bushels potatoes, 9 bushels rye, 9 bushels onions, 100 cabbages, 80 pounds corned beef, 800 pounds pork, 1 ton corn stalks, 1 ton straw, 2 barrels apples, 50 pounds lard, 50 pounds butter, 2 pounds candles, $\frac{1}{2}$ barrel sugar, $\frac{3}{4}$ barrel salt 1 barrel flour, 1 barrel vinegar, 3 barrels soft soap, 8 gallons syrup, 2 pounds tea, 2 pounds coffee, 20 tons coal.

STOCK ON POOR FARM JANUARY 1, 1877.

5 cows, 2 two-year old heifers, 2 calves, 2 horses, 5 store hogs, 20 hens.

INVENTORY OF FURNITURE IN POOR-HOUSE, AND TOOLS ON FARM, JANUARY 1, 1877.

Twenty-seven bed racks, 67 blankets, 30 chairs, 15 stools, 9 tables, 28 pillows, 8 feather beds, 56 sheets, 56 pillow-slips, 2 lamps, 27 straw ticks, 4 candle sticks, 1 lantern, 2 teapots, 3

wash tubs, 2 coal hods, 1 clock, 1 churn, 4 smoothing irons, 3 kettles, 2 frying pans, 2 teakettles, 1 dripping pan, 3 mop sticks, 5 pails, 1 milk strainer, 1 cream pail, 1 sieve, 15 tin plates, 20 tablespoons, 27 knives and forks, 27 plates, 25 cups and saucers, 2 tunnels, 20 bowls, 1 bell, 1 tin boiler, 1 coffee-pot, 5 tin cups, 2 chopping knives, 2 bushel baskets, 1 clothes basket, 1 half-bushel measure, 1 four-quart measure, 1 two-quart measure, 2 small baskets, 5 hoes, 1 grindstone, 1 mower, 2 flails, 1 wrench, 1 hammer, 1 grub hoe, 3 jugs, 1 cultivator, 2 manure forks, 1 wood saw, 2 corn cutters, 1 scoop shovel, 1 fishing boat, 1 portable oven, 3 wash basins, 1 wringer, 3 ladders, 1 snow shovel, 2 dust pans, 6 stone jars, 5 pepper boxes, 1 pair shears, 3 dish pans, 46 milk pans, 1 quart cup, 23 chambers, 1 bed pan, 1 oil can, 7 cloth curtains, 10 paper curtains, 2 table oil cloths, 4 towels, 6 stoves, 2 wash boilers, 1 cross-cut saw, 1 hand saw, 1 bit stock, 1 bit, 1 auger, 1 square, 1 grain cradle, 2 chains, 1 business wagon, 1 lumber wagon, 1 set sleds, 1 sleigh, 2 scythes and snaths, 1 hay knife, 4 hay rakes, 1 horse rake, 1 straw cutter, 1 fanning mill, 1 wheelbarrow, 4 hay forks, 2 iron bars, 1 set double harness, 1 single harness, 2 set whiffletrees, 1 neck yoke, 9 plow, 1 harrow, 1 pair ice tongs.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE INMATES OF THE POOR-HOUSE JAN. 1, 1876:

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	DIFFICULTY.	TIME IN POOR-HOUSE.	WHEN LEFT.
John Trudo.....	92	Canada.	Destitute.	17 Years.	
Thomas Brassell.....	61	Ireland.	"	"	
Margaret Brassell.....	66	"	"	"	
John Murphy.....	56	"	"	"	
Alexander Bulla.....	83	Canada.	"	"	
Peter Donnoley.....	53	Ireland.	"	"	
Jack King.....	77	Burlington.	Blind.	6½	
Geo. Rutherford.....	59	England.	Destitute.	5	
Alice McGowen.....	68	Ireland.	"	2	
Ann Martin.....	76	"	"	2	
Jane Blinn.....	38	Georgia, Vt.	Monomania.	1	
Rosaline Ploof.....	51	Canada.	Demented.	2	
Mary Franklin.....	24	New York.	Vagrant.	1	
Maranda Hapgood.....	41	Burlington.	Blind.	1	
James House.....	74	England.	Destitute.	1	
Philip Sullivan.....	85	Ireland.	"	1	
Robert McGrath.....	52	"	"	1	
Olive Robar.....	70	Canada.	"	1	
*Thomas Smith.....	21	Ireland.	Sore Eyes.	1	

* Transient.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ADMITTED TO THE POOR-HOUSE,
FROM JANUARY 1, 1876, TO JANUARY 1, 1877.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	DIFFICULTY.	WHEN ADMITTED.	WHEN LEFT.
*Joseph Laurier,.....	32	Canada.	Tramp, sick.	January 3.	January 10.
Theodore Gamby,.....	49	"	Insane.	" 6.	May 8.
*John Marville,.....	95	"	Infirm.	" 7.	January 17.
Mitchel Sennott,.....	84	"	Destitute.	" 7.	" 18.
Joseph Mitchell,.....	21	Burlington.	Epileptic fits.	" 7.	
John Dolan,.....	40	Ireland.	Consumption.	" 8.	
*Felix Boodrey,.....	25	New York State.	Tramp, lame.	" 12.	January 17.
Maggie Corrigan and babe,.....	20	Ireland.	Destitute.	" 22.	Feb. 6.
Esther Durand,.....	54	Canada.	"	" 28.	
*Frank Scanlan,.....	24	Leicester, Vt.	Enceinte.	Feb. 5.	April 2.
*Thomas Cavanaugh,.....	55	Ireland.	Tramp, lame.	" 16.	Feb. 25.
*John McFarlain,.....	54	"	" sick.	" 18.	" 25.
*John Donahue,.....	31	New York State.	"	" 22.	" 28.
*Clara Parker and babe,.....	23	Canada.	Vagrant.	March 8.	April 4.
*Edwin Clarke,.....	30	At Sea.	Tramp, lame.	" 11.	March 14.
Isabelle Cox,.....	56	Ireland.	Sick.	" 25.	
*Frances Boyce,.....	37	"	Lame foot.	April 3.	April 11.
*Philemon Cadet & child, to pest-house,.....	23	Canada.	Child, small-pox.	" 13.	Child died April 13.
Lizzie Johns,.....	21	Vermont.	Enceinte.	" 21.	May 21.
Joseph Stay,.....	34	Canada.	Insane.	May 27.	August 24.

*Transient.

Persons Admitted to the Poor-House---Continued.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	DIFFICULTY.	WHEN ADMITTED.	WHEN LEFT.
James McGullion,.....	55	Ireland.	Sick.	May 31.	June 8.
Rosa Gokey,.....	17	Canada.	Vagrant, sick.	June 1.	July 26.
Edward Burns,.....	70	Ireland.	Sick.	" 19.	Died July 25.
*Thomas Garland,.....	31	"	"	July 17.	July 27.
*Mary Lee,.....	22	New York State.	Enceinte.	" 21.	Oct. 13.
*Michael Fox,.....	58	Ireland.	Injured by cars.	August 3.	August 15.
*Catherine, his wife,.....	44	"	"	" 3.	" 15.
*Rosa Cota and two children,.....	22	Canada.	Destitute.	" 5.	" 21.
*Geo. Hanson,.....	57	England.	Tramp, lame.	" 24.	" 28.
*Isaac Lee, (colored),.....	35	Virginia.	Sick.	Sept. 8.	October 16.
Frank Laroux,.....	24	Canada.	Consumption.	" 14.	"
*Catherine Miller,.....	48	Vermont.	Vagrant.	" 29.	2.
*Ellen Bigelow,.....	35	"	"	October 2.	Nov. 2.
Geo. Wilson,.....	64	Ireland.	Consumption.	Nov. 22.	Dec. 13.
*Mary Jackson,.....	25	"	Destitute.	" 27.	Nov. 30.
A. W. King and little girl,.....	44	Massachusetts.	Sick and Destitute.	" 28.	Dec. 13.
James House,.....	75	England.	Destitute.	Dec. 5.	" 13.
John Mullins,.....	56	Ireland.	"	" 9.	"
*John Flier,.....	35	Portugal.	Sick.	" 15.	Dec. 28.
*Pat Cavanan,.....	26	Ireland.	Tramp, sick.	" 25.	"

* Transient.

INSANE POOR AT ASYLUM: ACCOUNT TO AUGUST 15, 1876.

NAMES.	AGE.	NATIVITY.	TIME IN ASYLUM.	EXPENSE.	REMARKS.
Oliver S. Blinn,.....	29	Burlington.	12 Years 11 mo's.	* 156 00	Dischar'd June 24.
Caroline Barree,.....	45	Canada.	5 " 5. "	156 00	
Francelia Metcalf,.....	41	Washington, Vt	3 " 4 "	156 00	
Alice Quinn,.....	58	Ireland.	3 " "	156 00	
Ellen Kean,.....	43	"	2 " 7 "	156 00	
Johanna McEnnerney,.....	54	"	1- " 6 "	156 00	
Mary McKenna,.....	29	Burlington.	6 " "	85 72	
Edward Lynch,.....	55	Ireland.	3 1/2 " "	42 00	
Theodore Gamby,.....	49	Canada.	3 " "	36 43	
Three examination certificates,.....		.....	.....	9 00
Total expense,.....		.....	.....	\$1,109 15
Credit by State aid,.....		.....	\$ 276 00	
" " Mileages,.....		.....	43 20	

\$ 319 20—\$ 319 20

Balance paid by City of Burlington, \$ 789 95

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

—OF THE—

FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

OFFICERS :

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MESSENGER.

T. C. PEASE.

THE FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

In the summer of 1873, Mrs. Mary L. Fletcher, with her daughter, Miss Mary M. Fletcher, gave to the city of Burlington twenty thousand dollars for the founding of a city library, to be called the FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

Half of this sum was to be spent at once for books; the other half to be kept for a library fund. Charles Russell, Henry Loomis and Henry P. Hickok were named trustees of this fund. The mayor of the city, *ex-officio*, with Matthew H. Buckham, L. G. Ware, E. J. Phelps and Samuel Huntington, were to be trustees of the library. Each board of trustees was empowered to fill vacancies in their numbers occasioned by death, resignation or removal from the city.

The city government accepted the gift, and assumed the charge of the library, and have ever since, shown a wise care of, and made generous appropriations for it, as an important means to public education and a credit to the city.

The large room in the old court house, which the court had just vacated for their new building, was fitted with gallery and cases and the proper furnishings, and proved a commodious and lightsome place for library use. Ten thousand dollars of the gift was spent, and an excellent selection made of standard books, with a good supply of the more popular sort.

Since then, by a gift of four thousand dollars more, from its generous founders, and by kind gifts from various associations and from private persons, the library has grown to over ten thousand volumes. The entire libraries of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Men's Association, and of Green Mountain lodge I. O. of O. F.,—in all upwards of two thousand volumes—were turned over to the trustees. Besides which, Mr. B. B. Smalley presented to the library three very large and fine photographic views, and Mrs. Irene F. Stetson the well-known steel engraving of Washington, by J. H. Hills of this city.

Its use, and the interest taken in it, have grown with equal step with this increase. In an important respect, it has given the city repute among those which are ordering best for the public good.

The Fletcher library has come to a sure place in the friendly regard of our citizens, and is sure to be still more a benefit to them, and a cause of honorable civic pride.

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

To the Honorable, the Board of Aldermen :

I have the honor to present here the third annual report of our board of trustees.

The librarian, whose report to the trustees, goes to you with this, will inform you on all points in regard to our year's work. The trustees congratulate you on the increasing usefulness of the library. It is their wish, and, so far as depends on them, their intention that it shall still be, growing in the use and convenience, and in the pride of the citizens.

Public libraries, all over the country, in small villages and in great cities, are claiming more attention, and getting more and more, as an important means with the public schools, to right public education. It is gratifying that our city is so well equipped in this respect, and that our library steadily grows in the interest taken in it, as in the importance of its collections.

A year ago, our honored founders, Mrs. Fletcher and Miss Fletcher, with a generous new year's gift of four thousand dollars, added to their benefit to the library, and to our debt of gratitude to them. With this, serious gaps have been filled in many of the departments of the library, and its value very much enhanced.

In the course of the summer, we were called to lament the death of Mrs. Fletcher. The board took proper action upon

this sad event, with resolutions of regret at our loss, and of respectful sympathy in her daughter's sorrow. The memory of our benefactress will be cherished so long as the library remains to memorialize her goodness and her wise care for the welfare and the honorable name of our city.

The trustees desire to thank your honorable board again, for the interest you have shewn in the library and its work, and for the kindness with which you have met their wishes and plans to further its purposes, and make it increasingly useful.

I am, gentlemen, for the board of trustees,

Respectfully,

L. G. WARE,

Secretary.

JANUARY 10th, 1877.

LIBRARIANS' REPORT.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Jan. 10, 1877.

To the Trustees of the Fletcher Free Library:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith respectfully present my second annual report as librarian.

The year just completed has been one of substantial success. The patrons of the library have increased over sixty per cent.; the facilities for consulting have been enlarged; and, though not all that could be desired has been accomplished, many improvements have been made in the various departments.

THE CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

The number of volumes registered on the catalogue of accessions is 10,458. There are 273 duplicates. The number of unbound periodicals is 48. The "list of books lost" shows seven (7) volumes missing, making the total of 10,772 volumes belonging to the library, against 8,904 for the corresponding date last year. This unusual increase is mainly

due to the additional gift from Mrs. and Miss Fletcher, last February. It would otherwise require at least six years' income from the fund to make the same number of additions. The handsome sum given by the donors, enabled the trustees to supply important wants in the various departments, and to add works which they would not be warranted in purchasing, under ordinary circumstances.

THE CIRCULATION.

During the 300 days on which the library has been open, 35,448 volumes have been delivered for "home use," and 505 have been consulted. Many books have also been consulted, of which no record has been made.

The registration of borrowers is 2,918, a gain of 1,078 since the last report.

I have made no attempt to classify the circulation, for the reason, that other things being equal, the reading in this library is similar to that in other libraries of its size and class. The most popular books, outside of fiction, are "Green's Short History of the English People," "Seward's Travels," and "Gautier's Winter in Russia." The demand for certain books and authors is not constant. Sometimes they are constantly "out," and again they are uncalled for, for weeks. Lives of Napoleon Bonaparte, and Charlotte Brontë, lead in biography. Histories of France in French, and French fiction, are liberally patronized by the French population. New books are ever in demand, and the discussion of popular questions is sure to call out books and information relating to these subjects.

THE WORK.

With the help of an assistant, the routine of library work is more faithfully and acceptably done, than when the entire care devolved upon one person. As the reading increases, the labor in all departments increases correspondingly. More books have to be re-covered, more repaired. During the year more than 5,000 books have been re-covered, and half that

number repaired. Books are not sent to the bindery until they are hopelessly out of repair. Sewing, gluing, and mending form a part of our daily labors.

I would like to say a word here about the binding: The bills for that purpose have amounted to over \$200; this sum is not less than it will require for binding in the future, and inasmuch as quite a portion of it is due to wear and tear, it would appear properly to belong to the current expenses, but is now taken from the annual fund.

GIFTS.

The number of contributions during the year indicates that the library is remembered and esteemed. The Green Mountain lodge of Odd Fellows have given their entire library. Nearly four hundred bound volumes, and about an equal number of pamphlets have been presented. I would here return thanks to the many persons who have served the library by gift, and by aid and advice to the librarian; my thanks are especially due to the Hon. G. F. Edmunds and Hon. G. H. Bigelow.

REMARKS.

The year just closing has been one of active business, as I presume all subsequent years will, and should be. The unusual accession of books, has added heavily to the cares of the persons in charge of the library, but on the other hand, the city council have provided for the necessary wants, in the way of assistants, extra room and shelving, so that the library with a few exceptions is well equipped for service. It is to be hoped that in the course of the present year, blocks, to keep the books upright, will be provided. These, and some better facilities for consulting books, are the library's greatest needs.

I would call your attention to the fact that the reference library is not used to that extent which it deserves. Cyclopædias, dictionaries and atlases are consulted frequently to

be sure, but beyond these, the reference books are sealed to the public. An inclosure in the delivery-room (as I recommended in my last report) containing shelving for the more common books of this class, would answer the purpose well: people could then consult them without calling upon an attendant.

With the beginning of the current year evening sessions have been instituted, the library being now open three evenings each week, from 6:45 to 8 o'clock.

It has been the endeavor of your librarian carefully to watch the demands of the patrons, to study how he may best serve them, and to strive to make this library second to none for pleasure and for profit.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS P. W. ROGERS,

Librarian.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS,

Since the Last Report, to the **FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.**

	BOUND.	UNBOUND.	NO'S.
Adsit, E. S.,.....	1		
Allen, C. E.,.....	2	14	
Ames, H. H.,.....		1	
American Bible Society,.....	2		
Astor Library, New York,.....		1	
Bigelow, Hon. G. H.; lot of valuable pamphlets,.....			
Bigelow, Family of Lawrence G.,.....	93	8	
Boston Public Library,.....		7	
Bowers, S. A.,.....	1		
Brazilian Commission (Philadelphia),..		3	
Brookline Public Library,.....		1	
Chicago Public Library,.....		2	
Davis, G. E.; Reports of Christian Asso- ciations,.....			
Dodge, Hon. I. C.; San Francisco Cen- tennial,.....			
Edmunds, Hon. G. F.,	46	5	
Greenleaf, E. E.,.....			43
Green Mountain Lodge, I. O. of O. F.,	112		
Haselton, S.,.....	6		
Head, Hon. Chas. D.,.....	3		

	BOUND.	UNBOUND.	NO'S.
Hendee, Hon. G. W.; Reports,.....	14		
Huntington, S. Jr.,.....	1		
Huse, H. A.; (Vt. Hist. Soc.,).....	4		
Indianapolis Public Library,...	1		
Marcelais, C. L.,.....	4		
Marsh, W. E.,.....		1	
National Library (Congressional,)....	1		
New Bedford Free Public Library,....	2	5	
Pease, C. E.,		1	
Pease, P. E.,	1		
Perkins, G. H.; (N. Y. Nation,)			78
Robinson, M. D.,		2	
Rogers, C. A.,.....		2	
Root, W. H.,.....	1		
St. Johnsbury Athenæum,.....	1		
Sheldon, W. K.,.....	4		
Shurtleff, Dr. A.,.....		1	
Simmons, W. C.,.....		2	
Taft, Hon. R. S.,.....		1	
Taft, E. W.,.....	6		
Thayer, Mrs. S. W.,.....	4		
Tracy, H.,.....		1	
United States, Department of Education	1	3	
" " " Interior,...	2	2	
University of Michigan,..		1	
" " Vermont,.....		2	
Vermont State Library; Lot of State Documents,			
Ware, L. G.,.....	4	1	
Wheeler, Mrs. M. C.,.....	1	1	
White, Hon. H. B.,.....	1		
Willard, Mrs. A. J.,.....	3		

REPORT OF THE CITY JUDGE.

SUMMARY OF COSTS AND FINES IMPOSED BY

M. R. TYLER,

Judge of the City Court, in cases where said fines and costs were adjudged payable to the city of Burlington.

January 1st, to December 31st, 1876, inclusive.

* Eighty-five cases against 103 persons.

	FINES.	COSTS.
16 cases, fines and costs paid into court, and to City Treasurer,.....	\$ 76 00	\$172 07
35 cases, mittimus issued, and delivered to officers for collection,.....	171 00	371 12
5 cases committed to jail,.....		54 79
7 cases appealed to County Court, (4 not entered and mittimus issued,)	35 00	75 86
7 cases sentence suspended,.....		76 76
10 cases acquitted,.....		88 13
10 cases <i>nolle prosequi</i> entered,.....		75 85
Total,.....	\$282 00	\$914 58

M. R. TYLER,

City Judge.

Burlington, January 1st, 1877.

*NOTE.—By vote of the Board of Aldermen, the names of the criminals in the cases summarized above, are omitted from this publication, but are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

REPORT

— OF THE —

POLICE JUSTICE.

Summary of fines and costs imposed by JOHN B. HOLLENBECK, Justice of the Peace, the said fines and costs being payable to the City of Burlington.

January 1st, 1876, to January 1st, 1877.

	FINES.	COSTS.
* Eleven Cases.....	\$17 00	\$92 34
3 cases, acquitted and discharged,.....		\$21 95
2 cases, mittimus issued,.....	\$ 2 00	13 89
1 case committed to jail,.....		6 77
1 case, fine and cost paid to Court,.....	5 00	6 04
1 case, appealed to County Court,.....	10 00	12 18
3 cases <i>nolle prosequi</i> entered.....		31 51
Total.....	\$17 00	\$92 34

JOHN B. HOLLENBECK,

Justice of the Peace.

* NOTE,—By vote of the Board of Aldermen, the names of the criminals in the cases summarized above, are omitted from this publication, but are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

REPORT OF THE CITY LIQUOR AGENCY.

MILES A. EVARTS, Agent, from January 1, to May 29, 1876.

Dr.

To Liquors per invoice January 1, 1876,.....	\$1,390 61
“ “ “ “ purchased since,.....	1,712 84
“ City Hall department, for rent,	83 34
“ Cash of City Treasurer, freight and office expenses,.....	30 75
“ Burlington Gaslight Co.,.....	3 42
“ Cash of City Treasurer, for salary,.....	257 67
“ Incidental department, profit and loss,.....	116 70
	\$3,595 33

Cr.

By paid City Treasurer amount of sales,.....	\$1,827 31
“ Invoice Liquor to Ira Shattuck, Ag't,.....	1,768 02
	\$3,595 33

MILES A. EVARTS, Agent.

We have examined the books and accounts of Miles A. Evarts, City Agent, and find the above report correct.

C. F. WARD, WM. G. WATSON, GEO. W. BECKWITH,	}	Auditors.
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CITY LIQUOR AGENCY.



IRA SHATTUCK, Agent, from May 29, to December. 31, 1876.

Dr.

To Invoice Liquors of M. A. Evarts,.....	\$1,768 02
" " " bought since,.....	1,411 64
" Cash of City Treasurer, for freight and office expenses,.....	19 11
" Cash of City Treasurer, for gas bill,.....	36 34
" " " " " insurance,.....	10 00
" " " " " salary,.....	236 67
" City Hall, and Market, " rent,.....	116 66
" City Water Works,.....	10 00
" Invoice of coal,.....	26 60
Profit and loss to balance,.....	130 77
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	\$3,765 81

Cr.

Paid City Treasurer, sales in city,.....	\$1,964 83
" " " " in other towns,.....	580 95
" " " " empty barrels,.....	26 00
" Invoice liquors on hand,.....	1194 03
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	\$3,765 81

IRA SHATTUCK, Agent.

We have examined the books and accounts of Ira Shattuck, City Agent, and find his report as above correct.

Your auditors would suggest the necessity of requiring the city agent to keep a correct record of the *quantity* of each kind of liquor sold, in order that the amount purchased and sold may be compared.

C. F. WARD,	} Auditors.
WM. G. WATSON	
GEO. W. BECKWITH,	

REPORT OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT
— OF THE —
CITY WATER WORKS.

FROM JANUARY 1, 1876, TO APRIL 25, 1876.

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :—I submit the following statement of receipts and disbursements of the water works, from January 1st, to April 25th, 1876 :

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, city treasurer,.....\$1,935 18

DISBURSEMENTS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES.

JANUARY.

Paid	monthly pay-rolls for labor,.....	\$	100	50
"	Sewell, Day & Co., bill of rope,.....		13	50
"	W. & D. G. Crane, " box,.....		1	25
"	Wilkins & Lyman, " storage,.....			60
"	S. Huntington & Co., " stationery,.....		5	25
"	Nash & Wardlow, " repairs,.....		4	75
"	G. I. Hagar, " hardware,.....		1	01
"	F. Woodworth, " clay,.....		6	75
"	Mark Thompson, " printing,.....		18	00
"	Central Vt. railroad, " freight,.....		3	25
"	E. Johnson, Sup't., " salary,.....		83	33

\$ 238 19

FEBRUARY.

Paid monthly pay-rolls for labor,	\$ 96 00
“ E. Johnson, horse keeping,	27 00
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	16 15
“ E. Johnson, Sup't., salary,	83 33
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	\$ 222 48

MARCH.

Paid monthly pay-rolls for labor,	\$ 114 00
“ E. W. Peck & Co., bill of cement,	4 00
“ A. G. Lucas & Son, “ glazing,	2 50
“ H. S. White, “ strawing hydrants,	20 00
“ P. T. Sweet, Estate, “ nipple,	65
“ Street department, “ filling St. Paul St., ..	25 00
“ E. Johnson, “ horse keeping,	12 00
“ E. Johnson, Sup't., “ salary,	83 33
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	\$ 261 48

APRIL.

Paid monthly pay-rolls for labor,	\$ 121 50
“ E. H. Payn, repairing indicator,	75
“ W. E. Weller, cotton cloth,	69
“ J. H. Tuttle, painting sleigh,	8 00
“ W. & D. G. Crane, stop boxes,	19 50
“ G. K. Paul, S. and W. cocks,	22 76
“ Express charges on “	1 75
“ E. Johnson, horse keeping,	15 00
“ “ Sup't., salary,	83 33
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	\$ 273 28

Total amount for current expenses,\$ 995 43

DISBURSEMENTS FOR PUMPING.

JANUARY.

Paid monthly pay-roll, engineer and fireman,	\$	141	75
“ T. W. Fisher & Co., bill of lamp,		1	85
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., “ repairs,		40	68
“ “ “ “		21	51
“ H. R. Worthington & Co. “ “		333	36
“ National Express Co., “ “		9	35
“ S. H. Weston, “ lime,		10	00
“ C. Blodgett, Son & Co., “ lumber,		27	
	\$	558	77

FEBRUARY.

Paid monthly pay-roll, engineer and fireman,	\$	125	25
“ E. W. Chase, bill of wood,		6	00
	\$	131	25

MARCH.

Paid monthly pay-roll, engineer and fireman,	\$	126	00
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APRIL.

Paid monthly pay-roll, engineer and fireman,	\$	119	25
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., bill of repairs,		4	22
	\$	123	47

Total amount for pumping expenses, \$ 939 49

RECAPITULATION.

Disbursements for current expenses,	\$ 995 43
“ “ pumping expenses,	939 49
“ to city treasurer, for error,	26

Total disbursements for four months, \$ 1,935 18

Amount of water pumped in January, . . 15,990,000 gallons.

“ “ “ “ February, . 17,372,000 “

“ “ “ “ March, . . . 20,379,000 “

“ “ “ “ April, 14,748,000 “

Total pumped in 4 months, 68,489,000 gallons.

E. JOHNSON,

Superintendent.

CITY WATER WORKS.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

FROM APRIL 25, 1876, TO DECEMBER 31, 1876.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
January 1, 1877. }

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :—The following statement shows the receipts and disbursements of the Burlington city water works, from April 25th to December 31st, 1876 :

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, treasurer,\$10,798 62

DISBURSEMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION.

AUGUST.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers 17, 18	
and 19,.....	\$ 99 00
“ Union Water Meter Co., for stops and bands,	
voucher 128,.....	24 00
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	\$ 123 00

SEPTEMBER.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, voucher 23,.....	\$ 33 00
“ George Woodman & Co., for pipe, voucher 137,	37 87
“ Central Vt. railroad, for freight, “ 138,	2 65
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	\$ 73 52

OCTOBER.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers 24, 25 and 27,	\$ 100 62
" Pattee & Perkins, for hydrant, voucher 141, ..	75 00
" Brink & Co., for castings, " 142, ..	5 72
" Cartage, vouchers 150 and 51,	1 75
" Vergennes Machine Co., on account Church street pipe, voucher 160,	1,500 00
" John Griffin, Church street connections, voucher 161,	22 58
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	\$ 1,705 67

NOVEMBER.

To Vergennes Machine Co., balance ac't Church street pipe, voucher 162,	\$ 710 89
" Burlington Gas Light Co., castings, voucher 163,	12 01
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	\$ 722 90

DECEMBER.

To G. S. Blodgett & Co., for repairs, voucher 176, ..	\$ 38 21
" Hayden, Gere & Co., voucher 177,	18 10
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	\$ 56 31

Total amount for construction, \$ 2,681 40

DISBURSEMENTS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES.

MAY.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5,	\$ 169 00
" W. Henderson, express charges, vouchers 53, ..	30
" R. S. Styles, for printing, " 54, ..	36 30
" P. Flaherty, distributing bills, " 55, .	8 25
" F. Vincent and others, cartage, vouchers 59, 60 and 63,	7 85

To G. S. Appleton, freight, voucher 61,....	2 50
“ M. Thompson, printing, “ 51,.....	11 00
“ Hamlin & Mathews, stops and wastes, voucher 52,.....	8 00
“ G. K. Paul, bill of pipe, voucher 56,....	37 24
“ E. W. Peck, “ cement, “ 64,	6 00
“ Jerry Lee, blacksmithing in 1875, voucher 68,.	15 40
“ Free Press Association, advert'g '75, “ 66,.	8 00
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	\$ 309 84

JUNE.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10,.....	\$ 209 50
“ Brink & Co., for castings, voucher 70,.....	14 02
“ U. Blair and others, for cartage, vouchers 71, 74, 75, 77 and 81,.....	5 00
“ National Express Co., for freight, voucher 72,.	1 10
“ Mark Thompson, for printing, “ 73,.	8 50
“ Chas. Thompson, examination of service pipes, voucher 76,.....	12 00
“ Jerry Lee, for blacksmithing, voucher 78,....	1 60
“ Burlington Gas Light Co., “ 79,....	12 45
“ W. & D. G. Crane, for stop boxes, “ 80,....	18 75
“ R. S. Styles, for printing, “ 82,....	13 50
“ C. F. Spaulding, Sup't., on salary, “ 89, ...	166 66
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	\$ 463 08

JULY.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers 11, 12, 13 and 14,.....	\$ 128 75
“ National Express Co., for freight, voucher 90,.	2 50
“ W. Smith, for repairing sleigh in '75, “ 91,.	2 00
“ Smith & Bagley, for water rods “ “ 92,.	3 50

To Brunell and others, for cartage, vouchers 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99 and 100,.....	4 88
" Free Press Association, for advertising, voucher 93,.....	9 50
" G. S. Blodgett & Co., for repairs, voucher 102,.	6 51
" W. & D. G. Crane, for stop boxes, " 103,.	25 63
" C. F. Spaulding, for salary, " 104,.	83 33
" E. W. Peck & Co., for cement, " 106,.	2 00
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	\$ 263 60

AUGUST.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers 15 and 16,.\$	66 00
" E. W. Peck & Co., for cement, voucher 107,...	4 30
" Cartage, vouchers 108-09-10-11-12-13 and 114,.....	6 75
" Jerry Lee, for blacksmithing, voucher 115,...	1 50
" National Ex. Co., for freight, " 116,...	1 70
" A. G. Strong, for hardware '75, " 117, ..	3 05
" " " " " 118,...	3 88
" G. I. Hagar, " " " 120,...	2 50
" E. W. Peck & Co., for cement, " 129,...	2 00
" C. F. Spaulding, Sup't., salary, " 119,...	83 33
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	\$ 175 01

SEPTEMBER.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, voucher 20, 21 and 22,.....\$	75 50
" B. S. Nichols & Co., repairing hydrants, voucher 130,.....	28 70
" T. A. Wheelock, for bibbs and valves, voucher 131,.....	9 48
" W. W. Atwater, advertising, voucher 132,....	75
" Jerry Lee, sharp picks, " 133,....	1 65

To Cartage, vouchers 134-5 and 136,.....	3 00
“ C. F. Spaulding, Sup't., salary, voucher 140,..	83 33
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	\$ 202 41

OCTOBER.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers, 26 and 27,\$	66 00
“ Wilkins & Lyman, coal for office, voucher 143,	32 25
“ Ripley & Holton, for wrench and oil, voucher	
144,	2 40
“ T. W. Fisher & Co., for lantern, voucher 145,.	1 35
“ Cartage, vouchers 146-7-8-9-152-3 and 154,.	6 00
“ W. & D. G. Crane, hydrant boxes, voucher 156,	14 00
“ E. W. Peck & Co., cement and packing,	
voucher 157 and 158,.....	8 34
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., repairs, voucher 159,....	1 60
“ C. F. Spaulding, Sup't., salary, “ 155,.....	83 33
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	\$ 215 27

NOVEMBER.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers 28, 29, 30	
and 31,.....\$	103 75
“ Cartage, vouchers 164-5-6-7 and 168,.....	3 00
“ William Scott, binding and ruling books,	
voucher 169,.....	11 00
“ H. S. White, bill of oil, voucher 170,	1 24
“ Jerry Lee, “ sharp picks, voucher 171, .	1 50
“ E. W. Peck & Co., bill of cement, “ 172,..	2 00
“ C. F. Spaulding, Sup't., salary, “ 173,..	83 33
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	\$ 205 82

DECEMBER.

To weekly pay-rolls for labor, vouchers 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36,.....	\$ 97 75
" C. S. Kinsley, advertising, voucher 178,.....	1 50
" A. G. Strong, for hardware, " 179,...	7 14
" John Black, cartage, " 180,	1 00
" Mark Thompson, printing, " 181,.....	8 00
" Charles L. Hart, for lanterns, " 182,....	3 00
" W. & D. G. Crane, for hydrant boxes, voucher 183,	18 63
" Jerry Lee, for sharp picks, voucher 184,.....	3 70
" R. McLaughlin, for cartage, " 185,.....	50
" A. G. Peirce, for shovel, " 186,	75
" C. F. Spaulding, Sup't., salary, " 196,.....	83 33
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	\$ 225 30
Total amount for current expenses,.....	\$ 2,065 33

DISBURSEMENTS FOR PUMPING EXPENSES.

MAY.

To weekly pay-rolls, engineer and fireman, vouch- ers 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5,.....	\$ 146 25
" B. S. Nichols & Co., for brick, voucher 58,....	2 00
" F. Woodworth, for clay, " 57,....	3 00
" Ripley & Holton, for shovel, " 62,...	1 50
" E. W. Peck & Co., for packing, " 64,....	3 14
" C. Blodgett, Son & Co., lumber in 1875-'76, voucher 65,.....	26
" B. S. Nichols & Co., for repairs in 1875-'76, voucher 69,.....	5 65
" E. W. Chase, for wood in 1875-'76, voucher 67,	4 00
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	\$ 165 80

JUNE.

To weekly pay-rolls, engineer and fireman, vouchers 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10,.....	\$	158	25
“ G. S. Blodgett & Co., for iron pan, voucher 83,		1	75
“ G. I. Hagar for hair cloth, voucher 84,.....		40	
“ Roberts, Blackburn & Co., for packing, voucher 85,.....		33	62
“ Champlain Transportation Co., for freight, voucher 86,.....		1	45
“ Western Union Telegraph Co., voucher 87,...		2	25
“ Wilkins & Lyman, for coal, “ 88,...		4,682	90
	\$	4,880	62

JULY.

To weekly pay-rolls, engineer and fireman, vouchers 11, 12, 13 and 14,.....	\$	110	00
“ E. W. Chase, for wood, voucher 101,.....		11	50
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., repairs, voucher 105,....		9	37
	\$	130	87

AUGUST.

To weekly pay-rolls, engineer and fireman, vouchers 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19,.....	\$	150	00
“ Western Union Telegraph Co., voucher 121,..		2	25
“ Freight on oil, “ 122,..		1	09
“ H. R. Worthington, for repairs, “ 123,..		66	91
“ E. H. Kellogg, for oil, “ 124,..		29	82
“ Strain & Reynolds, for oil, “ 125,..		55	50
“ T. W. Fisher & Co., chimneys, '75, “ 126,..		3	31
“ A. G. Strong, for hardware, '75, “ 117,..		2	06
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., for repairs, “ 127,..		5	72
	\$	316	66

SEPTEMBER.

To weekly pay-rolls, engineer and fireman, vouchers 20, 21, 22 and 23,	\$ 126 00
“ E. W. Chase, bill of wood, voucher 139,	4 00
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	\$ 130 00

OCTOBER.

To weekly pay-rolls, engineer and fireman, vouchers, 24, 25, 26 and 27,	\$ 119 00
“ Brink & Co., bill of castings, voucher 142,	4 50
“ T. W. Fisher & Co., bill of chimneys and wicks, voucher 145,	2 05
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., bill of repairs, voucher 159,	2 50
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	\$ 128 05

NOVEMBER.

To weekly pay-rolls, engineer and fireman, vouchers 28, 29, 30 and 31,	\$ 112 00
“ Ripley & Holton, bill of oil in April, voucher 174,	3 35
“ E. W. Chase, bill of wood, voucher 175,	8 00
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	\$ 123 35

DECEMBER.

To weekly pay-rolls, engineer and fireman, vouchers 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36,	\$ 140 00
“ Shepard, Morse & Co., for lumber, voucher 187,	1 32
“ Ripley & Holton, for hardware, voucher 188, ..	1 25

To Wells, Richardson & Co., for brimstone, voucher 189,.....	5 12
" A. L. Barrows, for oil, voucher 190,.....	10 10
" A. G. Strong, for hardware, voucher 191,.....	1 25
" Gale Brothers, for ice, " 192,.....	6 00
" Nash & Wardlow, for repairing stove, voucher 193,.....	2 00
" A. G. Peirce, for oil, voucher 194,.....	2 50
" E. W. Chase, for wood, " 195,.....	7 00
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	\$ 176 54
Total amount for pumping expenses,...	\$ 6,051 89

RECAPITULATION.

Disbursements for construction,.....	\$ 2,681 40
" for current,.....	2,065 33
" for pumping,.....	6,051 89
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Total disbursements for 8 months, .	\$10,798 62

In order to show the total amount of current and pumping expenses for the year, I have added the following statement which includes four months by E. Johnson, Sup't.

Total am't, four months by E. Johnson,	
Superintendent,.....	\$ 1,934 92
Eight months by C. F. Spaulding,....	8,117 22
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Total amount for the year,.....	\$10,052 14

Amount brought forward,	\$10,052 14
Interest on bonded debt for one year, .	\$14,694 00
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	\$24,746 14

The city treasurer's account shows the	
collections for water rates, etc., in '76, .	\$17,178 55
Uncollected " " "	1,821 77
Coal on hand Jan. 1, '77, .	\$2,925 00
Less on hand " '76, .	2,222 50

On hand.—excess,	\$ 702 50
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	\$19,702 82

Deficiency,	\$ 5,043 32
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Which shows the water works to have paid running expenses and interest on bonded debt, less the above amount,
\$5,043.32.

NOTE.—Clerical error of \$1.25, due C. F. Spaulding, Sup't.; see vouchers 5 and 100.

	GALLONS.
Am't of water pumped by E. Johnson, Sup't., . . .	68,488,821
" " " " C. F. Spaulding, " . . .	139,549,154
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Total,	208,037,975

Coal on hand, 500 tons; added 29 service pipes; replaced 150 service boxes; replaced 20 gate and hydrant boxes.

C. F. SPAULDING,

Superintendent.

We have examined the above account, with books and vouchers, and find it correct.

C. F. WARD,	} Auditors,
WM. G. WATSON,	
GEO. W. BECKWITH.	

CONSTRUCTION.

There has been laid in Church street 1,188 feet of eight-inch iron pipe (in place of four inch pipe removed), between College and Pearl streets, connecting at College street with the ten-inch main, and at Pearl street with six-inch main.

At College, Bank, Cherry and Pearl streets, put in seven Ludlow valves, protected with iron curbs and covers.

At the corner of Church and Bank streets, put in one of Pattee & Perkins' four-way hydrants, and at the corner of Church and Cherry, and Church and Pearl streets, re-set two Woods' hydrants; the whole cost is \$2,285 89.

It will be seen by comparison with last year's account, we have supplied more families, and pumped 28,020,650 gallons less water; consumed 650 tons of coal against 700 tons last year, making a saving of 50 tons. This has been secured by the pumps being kept in order, and preventing a great waste of water.

The net saving in pumping expenses the past year is \$2,035.00; the revenue for water rates have been increased \$1,577.14, mostly by the increased rate on water closets, bath-tubs, and extra faucets. By a more careful inspection the above sum can be greatly increased.

The deficiency in current expenses last year was \$11,080.94, against this year \$5,043.32, showing a saving in city tax of \$6,037.62.

Number of service pipes.....	1,461.
“ “ bath-tubs,....	117.
“ “ “ extra,....	14.
“ “ water-closets,	277.
“ “ “ extra,....	48.
“ “ faucets “	288.

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

PRESIDENT.

CHARLES J. ALGER, Superintendent.

CLERK.

HENRY O. WHEELER.

WARD ONE.

MATTHEW H. BUCKHAM,

Term expires April 1st, 1878.

WARD TWO.

HENRY O. WHEELER,

Term expires April 1st, 1877.

WARD THREE.

JOHN B. THOMAS, Jr.

Term expires April 1st, 1878.

WARD FOUR.

L. G. WARE,

Term expires April 1st, 1877.

WARD FIVE.

LUTHER L. LAWRENCE,

Term expires April 1st, 1877.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

On School Houses and School Property—Sup't. Alger, and Commissioners Lawrence and Thomas.

On Instruction, Text Books and Teachers—Sup't. Alger, and Commissioners Buckham and Ware.

On Finance and Accounts—Sup't. Alger, and Commissioners Wheeler, Lawrence and Thomas.

On Rules and Regulations—Sup't. Alger, and Commissioners Ware and Wheeler.

REGULAR MEETINGS.

First Friday in each month, at 7:30 P. M., at the office of the superintendent, in Fletcher Library Building.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE HOUR.

From 4:15 to 5:15 P. M., every day the Schools are in session.

REPORT

—OF THE—

*Superintendent of Schools.**To the City Council of the City of Burlington :*

GENTLEMEN :—The city charter provides that the superintendent of schools “shall annually report to the city council such statistics as are now required by law, and such other information as the board of school commissioners shall direct.”

In accordance with this provision, the superintendent submits the following report:

FINANCES.

RECEIPTS.

The total amount of money received for school purposes during the past year has been as follows :

Received for interest on U. S. deposit fund,	\$ 1,747 39
“ “ rent of school lands,	156 86
“ “ interest on water bond belonging to school fund,	84 00
“ from taxes during the year, collected from list of 1874 and 1875,	291 21
“ “ taxes during the year on list of '76, ..	17,590 00
“ “ tuitions of non-resident pupils,	132 00
Total, ..	\$20,001 46

DISBURSEMENTS.

The amount paid out for school purposes during the past year has been as follows :

Paid for salaries of teachers,.....	\$14,471 68
" salary of music teacher,.....	584 56
" " superintendent,.....	1,000 00
" janitors and cleaning,.....	900 47
" repairs,.....	486 32
" fuel,.....	1,096 71
" incidentals,.....	494 78
" supplies,	309 21
" furniture,.....	215 78
" census,.....	140 42
" water,... ..	85 00
" evening school,.....	55 00
" insurance,	286 73
" interest pending collection of taxes and on construction loan,.....	376 24
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Total,.....	\$20,502 90
Our receipts for the year were estimated at,.....	\$31,264 62
They have actually been only,.....	20,001 46
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Deficiency,.....	\$ 1,263 61
Our disbursements were estimated at,.....	\$21,350 00
They have actually been only,.....	20,502 90
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A reduction of,.....	\$ 847 10
Total receipts,.....	\$20,001 46
" disbursements,.....	20,502 90
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Deficiency for '76,.....	\$ 500 44

LIABILITIES.

Deficiency for 1876,.....	\$ 500 44
“ “ ’75,.....	758 44
Construction loan 1874,.....	1,500 00

Present liabilities,.....\$2,758 88

Deduct from this..... 658 88
 being the amount of seven warrants drawn for expenses of 1876, but not presented to city treasurer till his balance was made up, and there remains a balance which, by his account, appears to be due ————
 from this department,—the sum of.....\$2,100 00

The school board find it extremely difficult to make reliable estimates of income, and especially, so far as income from taxation is concerned. The grand list on which our estimate of percentage is to be based, is not made up till several months after the estimates are made, and there is from year to year considerable change in the list. Our estimate last year called for an income from taxation on the list of 1876 of \$19,250; but we received therefrom only \$17,590; leaving a deficiency of \$1,660.

Of this deficiency, it is hoped and expected, there may yet be collected and paid over to the credit of this department from the unpaid taxes of 1876, at least \$800. There is also considerable of a balance due on the lists of 1874-'75, from which it is estimated we may receive \$500; making a total from unpaid taxes of \$1,300.

Had this amount been received, as was expected when the estimates for last year were made, this department would not only have paid current expenses the past year and the deficiency of 1875, but would have had a small balance to carry to the credit of the construction loan. That debt of \$1,500 it has been expected, would be paid by the proceeds of the sale of the Cherry street school property.

That property, however, is now, for the first time in five years, in use for school purposes, and has been found exceedingly well adapted to, and rightly located, for the ungraded

and evening schools. In it, at the present time, are the two schools last named with a total enrollment of 130 pupils, and a daily average attendance of over 80 (for January), the largest number ever enrolled, and also the largest daily average attendance in these schools.

The following estimates of receipts and disbursements for the year 1877, have been approved by the finance committee:

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FOR 1877.

For interest on U. S. deposit fund,.....	\$ 1,747 39
“ rent of school land,....	183 23
“ interest on school bonds,.....	84 00
“ taxes on grand list of 1877,.....	19,068 50
“ taxes on lists of '75 and '76,.....	1,300 76
“ tuition of non-resident pupils,.....	260 00
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Total,	\$22,643 88

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1877.

For teachers' salaries,.....	\$14,700 00
“ music teachers' salary,.....	600 00
“ superintendent's salary,.....	1,000 00
“ janitors, and cleaning,.....	1,000 00
“ repairs,.....	750 00
“ fuel,.....	1,000 00
“ apparatus: maps, charts, &c.....	100 00
“ incidentals,....	650 00
“ supplies,.....	500 00
“ insurance,.....	250 00
“ furniture,	150 00
“ census,.....	150 00
“ water rent,.....	85 00
“ evening schools,.....	100 00
“ interest pending collection of taxes, and interest on construction loan,....	350 00
“ arrears of 1875 and '76,.....	1,258 88
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Total,.....	\$22,643 88

The board of school commissioners find themselves unable to keep the schools up to their present standard, and to pay off the deficiency for the two past years with a less tax than was assessed last year, and they therefore ask for a tax of 50 per cent. ; but for the arrearages due on the past years, and the further fact that there are large sums in the grand list uncollectible or at least uncollected, from year to year, we could get along with a tax several cents less on the dollar.

The following is the list of teachers now employed in our schools January, 1877 :

HIGH SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Joseph D. Bartley.

1st Assistant—Laura H. Brownell.

2d “ —Effie Moore.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Eliza J. Leyden.

1st Assistant—Mary E. Wells.

2d “ —Helen C. Converse.

3d “ —Sophia E. Young.

4th “ —Rogenia A. Hunt.

PINE STREET INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Mary E. Collins.

1st Assistant—Nettie M. White.

2d “ —Helen M. Rowe.

POMEROY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Alice V. Walker.

1st Assistant—Anna T. Smith.

2d “ —Fannie M. Cram.

ADAMS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

TEACHER—Anna A. Pease.

NORTH AND MURRAY ST. PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Ella M. Reardon.

Assistant—Anna M. Gilliland.

PINE ST. PRIMARY SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Eva E. Sallies.

1st Assistant—Katie P. Miller.

2d “ —Lottie M. Burnett.

POMEROY PRIMARY SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Lizzie A. Reese.

1st Assistant—Emma C. Timerson.

2d “ —Eva L. Post.

ADAMS PRIMARY.

PRINCIPAL—Mary J. Brown.

Assistant—Sarah M. Town.

FALLS SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL—Sarah A. Enright.

Assistant—Jennie M. Mathews.

NORTH AVENUE.

TEACHER—Hattie E. Morgan.

UNGRADED AND EVENING SCHOOLS.

TEACHER—John Lavelle.

Teacher of Music in Primary and Intermediate Schools:

Aurelia A. Gilson.

Teacher of Music in High and Grammar Schools:

Joseph D. Bartley.

The foregoing list of teachers contains some new names. We had more than the usual number of changes at the beginning of the fall term. Mrs. J. M. Wyatt declined being a candidate for re-appointment. She had faithfully served as principal of the grammar school for five years, and had built up a school and a reputation of which she may well be proud. The three grammar schools which the city had prior to September, 1871, were merged in one school in the high school building, and placed in her hands at the time of the consolidation. So great was her skill and tact in management, that she carried the school through the trying ordeal of organization on a new basis, without failing in a single instance to receive the approval of those interested in her work. Her work as an instructor was good, and the moral tone she imparted to the school will long be felt. She has located herself here, and many pupils will remember her with pleasure, and will thank Mrs. Wyatt (now Mrs. R. S. Taft) for the good she induced them to seek for and to follow, as well as for the love of sound learning which she inspired them with.

Miss Eliza J. Leyden was secured to take Mrs. Wyatt's place. Miss Leyden came from the same schools that Mrs. Wyatt came from, and bore an excellent reputation both as a teacher and manager. The board have great hopes she may make good Mrs. Wyatt's place, and carry the school along successfully in its regular work.

Miss Richardson, 2d assistant in the high school, also declined to be a candidate for re-appointment. Her place was filled by the appointment of Effie Moore, a graduate of the last year's class in the university.

Miss Maria A. McWeeney, for many years a successful primary teacher, and recently principal of Adams primary school, not returning, her place was filled by the appointment of Miss Mary J. Brown, an experienced teacher, and a graduate of the Oswego normal school.

Miss Mary B. Stiles, principal of Pine street intermediate school, declined being a candidate for re-appointment, and her place was filled by promoting Miss Mary E. Collins of the same school to that position.

Miss Nellie H. Stiles of North avenue, was re-appointed, but before the beginning of the term sent in a resignation. Hattie E. Morgan of Oswego normal school, was given the place. There were some other changes in minor positions—both at the beginning and close of the fall term.

The following table shows the total enrollment and daily average attendance of each school, for the three terms comprising our school year, and also the total number of tardinesses and instances of dismissal in each school for the year:

SCHOOLS.	WINTER TERM.			SPRING TERM.			FALL TERM.			Tardiness for the year.	Dismissals for the year.
	Number En-rolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.	Number En-rolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.	Number En-rolled.	Daily Average Attendance.	Attendance per cent.		
High School,....	82	74	90	76	72	95	83	74	89	78	50
Grammar,	148	128	86	129	123	95	162	150	93	115	83
<i>Intermediate.</i>											
Pine Street,....	95	76	80	86	77	89	116	101	87	108	61
Pomeroy,	66	57	88	66	57	88	74	67	90	184	42
Adams,	42	41	97	38	32	84	40	35	87	138	30
<i>Primary.</i>											
Pine Street,....	81	59	73	95	88	92	105	73	69	215	10
Pomeroy,	82	66	80	104	92	88	95	79	83	118	33
Adams,	100	70	70	100	72	72	84	68	81	289	20
North & Murray,.	81	63	78	79	86	109	93	70	75	109	1
<i>Mixed Grades.</i>											
Falls School,....	56	47	84	48	43	89	50	39	78	75	11
North Avenue,..	20	14	70	21	16	76	18	16	89	14	5
Ungraded,	25	17	68	.....	.....	.....	37	22	59	.....	.....
Evening School,.	20	15	75	.....	.....	.....	45	26	58	.....	.....
Totals, in 1876,.	898	727	81	862	758	90	1002	820	82	1443	345
Totals, in 1875,.	825	666	81	846	606	72	963	770	80	1668	368
Gain, in 1876,.	73	61	....	....	152	....	79	50	....	225	23

It will be noticed that our schools have improved somewhat in numbers, and also in the average daily attendance during the past year, but there is room for still greater improvement. When we shall have accounted for all that we can in private, charitable and church schools, it will be seen that too many children of school age appear to have attended no school during the year.

The number in attendance on these various schools it is not easy to ascertain with perfect accuracy, nor can we make any reliable estimate of the duplicate enrollments in the various schools. The same pupil is occasionally enrolled in the public schools and also in one or more of the private schools. Desiring to make as careful estimates of the total enrollment and average daily attendance in all the schools, as was possible, I applied to the parties having these schools in charge, for total enrollments and average daily attendance by terms for the year 1876, and received the following statements :

SCHOOLS.	WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.		FALL TERM.	
	Whole number enrolled.	Average daily attendance.	Whole number enrolled.	Average daily attendance.	Whole number enrolled.	Average daily attendance.
St. Mary's School,.....	407	366	451	418	423	387
St. Patrick's Academy,.....			30	27	35	34
The Episcopal Institute,....	28	28	28	28	24	24
The Home for Destitute,....	67	50	63	53	65	60
Miss Thomas' School,.....	12	12	15	15	15	15
Miss Reynolds' School,.....	10	10	25	25	5	5
Totals,.....	524	466	611	566	567	525

The following statement of "average attendance" was also furnished, but the total enrollment and statement by terms were lacking :

St. Joseph school, Prospect street,—boys,.....	100
—girls,.....	100
Nazareth " Allen " —boys,.....	115
" " —girls,.....	135
Orphan asylum, Pearl street,.....	76
Total,.....	526

These figures do not enable us to get at exact results, but only at an approximation.

Combining these several tables of attendances, and making proper allowance for those who attend one term and not the ensuing term, and deducting for duplicate enrollment,

and there would seem to be not over about 2,500 children of school age that attended school at all during the year, and an average daily attendance of only about 1,870. The census return shows that we have 3,207 children of school age. Where are the 707 who appear not to attend school *at all*? Are they growing up to be good citizens and ornaments to society? Perhaps not. But taking the average daily attendance, and we find 1,337 absent every day. How shall we account for these? It is perhaps safe to say, that of those between 5 and 10 years of age, 20 per cent. are out of school daily by reason of the thousand and one ailments of childhood, and because the parents of some think it unwise for them to attend school till they are a year or two older. Of those between 10 and 15 years of age, all ought to be in school except about 20 per cent. The 20 per cent. are detained from school by sickness, and by reason of the necessities of parents, requiring their aid to support large families. Of those between 15 and 20 years of age, we cannot expect to have over one-half in attendance. We have, as all cities have, a large class of poor people, people who gain their daily bread by daily work, and the boys at least must work, and the girls of these ages must stay at home and assist in taking care of the younger children.

Turning then to the census, we account for absences at these several ages, on the basis above given, as follows:

Between 5 and 10.....	246
“ 10 and 15.....	194
“ 15 and 20.....	506

946

Making the number 946 who are accounted for as absent daily from natural explainable causes, but where are the other 391, still unaccounted for? This question, involving as it does the interest of so many children, and the welfare of the city in the immediate future, should have the attention it deserves.

Nor does our duty end when we look after and care for these 391 absentees. Something should be done for the 506 who are forced to remain away from school. The hardships of the times may well demand their work, but attention

properly given to our industries, would enable the older members of the families to earn the needed support, without calling for the pittances the children can earn. There is however one consoling view to be taken of this class. Regular industry is a great educator, and one of the best moral instructors.

The following is the abstract of the school census taken (in January, 1877,) under the supervision of H. O. Wheeler, clerk of the school board. It is believed to have been taken with more than usual care, and may be relied on as substantially correct:

ABSTRACT OF SCHOOL CENSUS FOR THE YEAR '77:

WARDS.	Number of Families.		Number of children under 5 years.		Number of children between 5 and 10 years.		Number of children between 10 and 15 years.		Number of children between 15 and 20 years.		Whole number of children under 20 years.		Number of children of school age.		No of heads of Families.	
First Ward,.....	175	85	136	104	110	485	350	301								
Second Ward,.....	436	258	249	188	156	851	593	779								
Third Ward,.....	600	428	356	312	289	1385	957	1098								
Fourth Ward,.....	506	212	215	181	206	814	602	869								
Fifth Ward,....	505	252	268	185	252	957	699	874								
Totals 1877,.....	2222	1235	1224	970	1013	4442	3207	3921								
“ ’76,.....	2119	1143	1150	988	1014	4295	3152	3786								
Gain 1877,.....	103	92	74	....	....	146	55	135								
Loss ’77,.....	....	....	....	18	1	....	....	....					

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Before going into any general remarks upon the condition of our schools, I wish to deviate a little from the late practice, and to make some special remarks by way of commendation of the general management of the high school, the discipline maintained therein, its perfection in mode and spirit. It seems to be the result of a right feeling on the part both of teachers and pupils. The manhood and business-like ideas which seem to pervade the school, are greatly to be commended, and it is to be hoped they may long continue. The whole time of the teachers is given to instruction, and nothing wasted in management. All seem to be interested, and absorbed in their work. The scholars in this school, and in the primary schools, are of the ages which experience and statistics show to be most easily disciplined. It is not to be inferred from this special notice given to this school, that the other schools are not doing well, for they are, and nearly every one may be said to have improved its discipline during the year. An acquaintance with the high school under various teachers for a dozen or more years, enables me to say that the discipline there, was never as good any year before, as it has been the past year, and that the interest of the pupils in their studies, never seemed to be greater. Other matters about the high school will be mentioned farther on.

MUSIC.

As heretofore, music has been taught in all the schools, and after some five year's experience with music in the schools, with unvarying approval by all who have been familiar with the work, it seems that this should no longer be considered as an experiment in our schools, and should no longer be estimated for in our annual reports. If any teachers earn their pay, and do for the schools all that can be reasonably expected of them, a music teacher does. The elevating power of music, and its civilizing effects are as apparent in schools as in families, and should music be discontinued in our schools, it is believed more time than is spent by the music teacher, would, in consequence thereof, have to be spent by the other teachers in attending to matters of order, which now take care of themselves.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

Pursuant to the rule of the school board, the superintendent has held a teachers' meeting every two weeks, and as reported last year, much good has seemed to come to our schools from these meetings. Nearly all the teachers have seemed to be interested in them, and all have cheerfully performed the various duties which have been assigned them. The exercises have for the most part, been carried on pursuant to the following

PROGRAMME :

- 9:30—Opening exercises; (reading a selection or singing.)
- 9:40—Roll call; record of last meeting: report of enrollment and daily averages for last two weeks.
- 10:00—Model class, by teacher assigned at last meeting, with 10 to 14 of her pupils.
- 10:30—Criticisms after the class retires, upon the method and work.
- 10:40—Recess.
- 10:50—Essay.
- 11:15—Discussion of some educational question, by teachers, and remarks by superintendent.
- 11:35—Reading, selection, (assigned).
- 11:45—Remarks and criticisms by superintendent, on school work as observed during past two weeks, with suggestions for improvement.
- Dismission.

GENERAL REMARKS.

To state clearly and exactly what progress our schools make in a single year, is not an easy thing to do. In this centennial year, we are given to comparing the present with the past, and to drawing conclusions very much in favor of the present. We are not able however, to go back very far in our school matters for a basis of comparison, for until 1860, so far as I can learn, the reports made by our school superintendents were never published and preserved, and a large

share of those that have been published since that time, do not contain sufficient detail of facts, or a connected and condensed statement of our then condition and wants, to enable one to make a fair comparison. In looking over the reports heretofore made, it has seemed to me, those made in 1866 and 1867 were most carefully and fearlessly made, and I transcribe large extracts from them, and shall compare our present condition and prospects therewith, and comment upon one or two apparent errors therein.

OUR CONDITION TEN YEARS AGO.

Rev. Elbridge Mix, in his report in 1866, said in relation to the then present condition of our schools :

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"I am obliged to say that I have found them for the most part, neither well managed nor effective, in accomplishing their object. There are but two or three districts where the schools have been conducted in a proper manner during the past year. And this is not so much the fault of the teachers, as of the patrons.

"In the first place there is, in some of the districts, a very great lack of good accommodations for school purposes. The buildings now used are over-crowded. There is not room enough in them to enable the teachers to manage the schools to the best advantage. Then, some of the buildings are not really so tidy and attractive in their appearance as many of the barns and carriage-houses belonging to some of our private residences. I doubt whether any gentleman who owns valuable horses, would long tolerate for them such a building, with its high board-fence and unattractive surroundings, as a certain school house in our city which I might name. There are several others in a condition not much better.

"Again there is a great lack of thorough grading in most of the schools. For example: I visited one school in which there were about sixty scholars in regular attendance, of all ages and stages of advancement, from those just beginning to learn their letters, of which there were quite a number, up

to scholars who had made considerable progress in arithmetic and grammar. No teacher can properly govern and instruct such a school as this. It is a waste of money, in the end, to suffer a school to go on in this way. What is true of this particular school, is true of many others, though not to the same degree. Even where there is a gradation into two or three departments, it is not made with sufficient care and system. It is important that strict attention should be given to this matter in nearly every district. There is but one in the city, where it is not absolutely necessary for the best interests of the school.

“Still further, there is not sufficient pains taken to employ the very best talent in the selection of teachers. The committees are chosen, in many cases, not for their fitness in point of education and their tact in discerning what is needed in a teacher. The choice is made in a hap-hazard way, in a thinly attended school meeting. As a consequence, those selected to manage the schools often seek for teachers who will serve at a cheap rate, without much regard to their qualifications or previous experience. Teachers are allowed in many instances to begin their schools, without first applying to the superintendent for examination, so that it is too late when they do apply, for him to reject them if not found qualified, without making considerable trouble. Thus it comes to pass, that those employed in teaching, are in many instances not suitable persons for the places they are called to fill.

“Our union high school, though conducted as well as it can be under existing circumstances perhaps, is not by any means what it ought to be. The building which it now occupies, is uncouth in its exterior, ill-adapted to its purpose, badly ventilated, and in every respect a disgrace to the city. Occupying a commanding position, upon one of our handsomest streets, and surrounded by beautiful private residences, it must impress strangers most unfavorably respecting the attention paid to our educational interests. Nor can I say that they would receive a very incorrect impression, if they should draw their conclusions from what they see manifested, both in the exterior and interior of this building. Other towns in the state, and all cities in New England of which I

know, have large and commodious edifices for their high schools, which are an ornament to them. It is not at all to our credit, that we have not such a building.

“With the present arrangements of our school system, it is impossible to make it very effective as a high school. By the lack of proper grading in the primary schools, it is difficult to raise the standard of admission as high as it ought to be. Those who are now in its lowest grade, ought not to have been admitted. The first year after a pupil's admission is spent in fitting him to enter what really belongs to the high school department. Then much time is wasted. Again there is no authority which compels pupils, when once received into the high school, to remain there, but they not infrequently return to the upper department of the primary schools, and thus over-burden the teacher in that position, with what does not properly belong to it. The primary and high schools do not, and cannot, as now carried on, work harmoniously together. Besides, it is well-known that the union embraces but five out of the ten districts of the city, whereas it should include them all, in order to be well maintained, and accomplish the purpose of such a school. The burden of its support falls heavily upon the comparatively few who now support it, which would be light, if all bore their share in its maintenance. Higher salaries might be paid if such were the case, which is needful in order to command the best teachers. The school might be supplied also with suitable apparatus, and in every respect have more facilities for the performance of the work.

“This hasty review of the present condition of our common schools must be sufficient to convince every one who has our interests as a city at heart, that they are not in a desirable state; that they are in no way keeping pace with our advance in other respects; and that there is imperative need that something should be done in respect to them. I have not much hope that their condition can be bettered, to any considerable extent under the present management. A radical change is necessary. An entirely new system ought to be inaugurated. Something like what has been tried and found to work well in other cities of small size, should be adopted by us.

"We need such a change in the city charter as shall put the entire control of the schools under a board of education, who shall be chosen by the city council. The city should be newly divided into districts of suitable size. Buildings of sufficient dimensions and convenience and outward adornment, should be erected; not simply adequate to meet present but prospective wants. The high school should have an elegant and commodious building erected for it, without delay, on the site of the one now so sadly disfiguring College street. A city superintendent should be appointed by the board of education, who is able to devote at least half his time, under their direction, to the care of the schools, and he should receive ample pay for his services. Teachers should be selected after thorough examinations; their salaries should be affixed, and the schools where they are to teach, assigned by the board.

"The advantages of such a change would speedily manifest themselves. We should thus secure a thorough system of common school education. A pupil entering the primary school at a certain age, would find himself classed with those of the same grade, to whom the whole time and attention of the teacher would be devoted. So it would be in each of the higher grades, until he had passed through the primary schools and was prepared to enter the high school. Received into this, after a thorough examination, he would then be ready to go through a more advanced course of study and discipline, until fitted for college or a business life. Our school system, in its various departments, would then be a regular ascent in the training it affords, towards the university. There would be that thorough uniformity and regularity in its management which is so conducive to its success. Such a change as this would tend to promote among the children and youth of our city, an enthusiasm for study which they do not now have. It would elevate the work of teaching to its true place, and render those thus employed in our schools emulous of one another. It would enable the superintendent to bring them together, and interest them in their work, and give them such hints and instructions as they need. It would secure in the board of education, for the control of our schools, our best educated and most liberal-minded men. It would greatly

add to the attractiveness of our city, and contribute much to bring in families of intelligence and wealth, who seek for the the advantages of a thorough education. We have every facility for becoming the leading educational, as well as business center of the state, and indeed of all the region around."

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Matthew H. Buckham, superintendent, reported as follows in March, 1867.

"I have, as the law requires, visited all the schools. I regret that I cannot give a very gratifying account of their condition. We have two or three very creditable schools; most of them are a reproach to a community which claims a foremost rank for intelligence and enterprise.

"I entered upon my duties as city superintendent with some appreciation, as I supposed, of the serious imperfections of our schools, and a hope that I might accomplish something for their improvement. I soon found, however, that I had greatly underrated the difficulties of the work before me; that the evils were such as no power entrusted to the superintendent could remedy or even materially lessen; and that nothing short of an entire reconstruction of our school-system was adequate to the reform imperatively demanded.

"The one great obstacle to the improvement of our schools, is the lack of interest in them on the part of our most intelligent and influential citizens. By the withdrawal of their children, the schools suffer the great loss of that character for respectability, which does so much toward sustaining a school in the confidence of the community. They lose, also, the valuable influences which come with the children from homes of culture and refinement. The teacher who enters one of our schools ambitious to succeed, in the most cases looks about in vain for those few children of more than ordinary ambition and promise, who are to give character to the whole school. Here are in great numbers, the children of the ignorant, the unthrifty, the uncleanly; but where are the tidy, well-bred children whose very looks speak of the intelligent and virtuous homes from which they come?

“I was painfully impressed by the unpromising character of the materials of which most of the schools are composed. And while I blame the long neglect which has suffered the schools to become such as they are, I could not blame the unwillingness of residents in some of these districts, to send their children to such schools as these actually are.

“And, I am bound to say, in vindication of those who are often charged with an aristocratic contempt for “common schools,” that it is only the belief that our public *schools as they now are*, are unworthy of their patronage, which has alienated their confidence and support.

“The problem, then, is, how to regain the confidence and patronage of this class of citizens—how to get their children into the public schools, and thus secure for the schools their interest and support.

“If such persons can be persuaded that it is feasible to make the public schools what they ought to be, their support will not be tardily given.

“But is this feasible? Is it possible to do in Burlington what has already been done in most of the other villages in the state? It can be done, and it will be done, when a dozen or a half-dozen sensible and determined men, can be found, or can find one another, who will undertake the work in thorough earnest, and, with all necessary devotion and sacrifice, carry it unflinchingly through. It will be done so soon as a few men come forward ready to work harder and sacrifice more than the few men who have so bravely and faithfully fought in the cause of ignorance and depravity in our community. On what principle can we explain the acknowledged fact, that while the condition of our schools for the last twenty years has been a source of grief and mortification to a large majority of our citizens, they have accomplished so little of what it was in their hearts to do? Is it not because the friends of reform have been content with meaning right and wishing well, while its enemies have been active and strenuous? When improvements have been purposed, the erection of suitable school buildings, the introduction of the graded system, any measure that would involve additional expenditure, the

large tax-payers have rallied their forces, whipped in all whom they could influence or intimidate, packed the district meeting, and defeated the measure. What has prevented the union district, these many years, from having a building of its own, one which would not be a disgrace to the community in which it is found, and a nuisance to the street on which it stands, but the weak submission of the district to the bluster and management of a few individuals who are persistently opposed to any and every public enterprise which is likely to increase their taxes? To this prolific source of evil must be attributed most of the troubles with which our schools are burdened—cheap teachers, paucity of apparatus, the squalor and dilapidation, the air of stinginess and neglect, which reign throughout the school premises of two-thirds of the districts. This state of things has been met with a little indignation, much weak complaint, an occasional spasm of opposition, but never with that manly resolution and determined, vigorous, concerted action, which are always an over-match for the greatest zeal in a bad cause. The decisive question in such a case, always is—‘Are there ten or five righteous men in the city? If there are, let them come forward and save it.’”

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The report of Mr. Mix was most fearless, and as I believe only too true. We all remember the general bad condition of our school buildings at that time, and how we submitted with great apparent though no real satisfaction with his report thereon. The instruction as well might be expected which he found, in such buildings, was not what should have been. The most interesting portion of his report however, is that where he tells us what we must have by way of organization of a school board, and school supervision, etc., where he details almost exactly what but a few years afterward was enacted as a law in our amended city charter. But to our comparisons.

OUR SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

I. We have now left and in use but two or three buildings which were then in use here. The old high school building was the first to be taken down and re-built. In 1871 the city generously built and furnished the present high school building, a building accommodating for the present, both the high school and grammar school grades. The last term the building accommodated 245 pupils. While this building does not perhaps to-day satisfy and fully meet our present views of a school building, it is very far from being an ordinary or in-commodious building. It is an ornament, and not a disgrace to any street, and is in perfect keeping with the private residences on a street which ranks as one of the best streets in the city. If we were at all boastful, we should present a fine cut of this building, and say of it, as a former superintendent said of another building we had, which I shall speak of hereafter. It cost in 1871, including furniture, (but exclusive of land), \$31,084.15.

The Pine street building is large and commodious, and accommodates easily 250 pupils. It has large play-grounds. Although it was not built originally for a school house, it is entirely satisfactory for school purposes, and cost the city less money, considering its real worth, than any other of our buildings. It cost, as near as I can learn, including land and furniture, \$13,000. This building was purchased, and the upper part used for several years before the erection of the high school building, but it was not remodeled, and used as now, till September 1871.

The Adams school building was erected in 1873-4 and will accommodate 250 pupils. Its location is the finest in the city, and its thorough construction and ample, sightly grounds, are all that could be desired. It cost including land and furniture, \$17,275.00.

The Pomeroy building was built in 1874, and is if possible, more desirable in its structure, arrangement and grounds, than the Adams building, and will accommodate 250 pupils. It cost including land and furniture, \$15,500.00.

The Main street building, corner of Main and Union streets, which has been used for some years past for the ungraded and evening school, and which we are prone now to look upon as not a very desirable building, was highly esteemed a few years ago. Secretary Adams of the Vermont board of education, in his report for 1861, had a fine cut of this building, and of three other buildings, erected in other parts of the state the previous year, which he speaks of as "pleasant indications of a decided change in the requirements of public opinion, in regard to school buildings."

Rev. Joshua Young, town superintendent, in his report in 1861, said of that building. "No. 13 speaks for itself, and its voice is eloquent. There stands the beautiful building, a temple of knowledge, worthy of the name. Generations shall pass through its doors, and thank the liberal hands that reared its fair and pleasant walls. Many a little eye will look upon it, and some thought of harmony and beauty enter the soul."

How strange these words of praise of that building sound to us now, since our ideas have been enlarged by looking upon later and better buildings. It cost, land, building, furniture, fencing and shade trees, \$4,353.38.

The school buildings on Murray street, North and Colchester avenues, are ample for all present needs, and in fair condition.

A FUND WANTED.

Before leaving the subject of school buildings, it may be judicious perhaps to tell a little secret of some of the members of the school board. Since the grammar school has increased in numbers beyond the limits of its present quarters in the high school building, the board have been considering the propriety of giving up the high school building entirely to the grammar school, and securing for the high school a more elegant, separate building. To this end, they are anxiously looking about for some one to give the city one-hundred, or one-hundred and fifty thousand dollars, with which to build such a building and endow the school. We need a first-class preparatory school here, and think we can

convince any liberal-minded man, that such a donation would be a great help to the cause of education generally in the city and state, and that it would at the same time greatly promote the interest of the university. The fund should be left in such a way that the school board and the president of the university, should have equal and joint power in selecting the teacher, who shall receive the income from this fund, and in arranging the course of study for his classes. To secure such a fund, and to establish such a school, may look to some like an impossible thing, but to the board it seems no more impossible than ten years ago it appeared, to get such buildings and schools as we now have. The school will be called "the——high school." It is not judicious perhaps, yet for us to fill the blank.

A first-class preparatory school for this section of the state, has long been needed. For lack of such a school, boys have been sent by the score out of the state to prepare for college, and have very naturally gone to colleges also out of the state, with those with whom they had been associated in the preparatory course. It was estimated a year or two ago, that the boys from one county, were expending \$20,000.00 a year in other states, while pursuing their preparatory studies. The high standard now reached by our high school, enables us to invite all these young persons to a home school, which we will now even compare favorably with the best schools of other states, with the exception of the two or three highly endowed private academies. The problem which has long been before the trustees of the university, and friends of education generally, in this part of the state: the establishment of a preparatory school which should be a feeder to all departments of the college, is being solved by the building up of our high school department. The excellent work now done in the schools, the opportunities afforded by the Fletcher free library, and the many other educational advantages of Burlington, will doubtless bring to our schools and especially to the high school, a constantly increasing patronage from the neighborhood and from all parts of the state, and could we have the endowment to which public attention is now for the first time called, we could build up a much larger school, and do much

more satisfactorily than at present, the same work we are now doing. The effect of large classes, and the sharper competition would be felt at once upon our own pupils, and be beneficial to all.

Returning to our comparisons with 1866.

OUR TEACHERS.

II. They are now selected with great care, and continued from year to year. We have several that have been with us from the first organization of our schools under the school board, in 1868. Salaries are affixed to positions, and teachers not able to do such work as is required for the position, are not retained. Among our teachers we have graduates of colleges, normal and other schools, as follows :

- 1, Williams college ;
- 1, Vassar “
- 1, Vermont university ;
- 1, Castleton normal school ;
- 1, Randolph “ “
- 1, Johnson “ “
- 6, Oswego, N. Y. state normal school ;
- 6, Burlington high school ;

and several who have had experience in high, graded and grammar schools elsewhere.

OUR SCHOOL WORK.

III. Our schools are not yet perfectly graded, and long time must elapse before perfect grading can be had. The people have not all found out the importance and value of regular attendance upon school, nor measured fully the loss to the child of a terms' absence ; nor have they found out the importance of having all the young children commence attending school, at the beginning of the school year, when new classes are formed ; nor have they all yet ascertained that home instruction on the old “a b c” methods, before the children are sent to school, is of no real value. The people are

gradually learning all these things, and comprehending their importance. The board have not felt that they should be too dictatorial in these things, but have contented themselves with producing a steady pressure in the right direction ; and progress is being made as fast as could be expected. Our methods of instruction are greatly improved. The best methods brought from the different schools from which our teachers come, are here considered, modified and adopted. During the past year the superintendent has visited schools in Boston, Syracuse, Oswego and other places, and noted their work, and suggested some improvements in our methods and work therefrom. Such visits, too, are valuable, as furnishing a basis of comparison between our own schools and those of other places which are celebrated as having superior schools.

SCHOOL SUPERVISION.

III. In April, 1868, the first board of school commissioners, six in number, elected under the amended city charter, (act of 1867) assumed the control and management of our schools, in place of the old organizations, eleven in number—ten common school districts and one union district—each with their three committee men. Six men wisely chosen at a general city election, two by each of the three wards then comprising the city, took the place of the thirty three chosen in the manner so vividly described in the extract copied from Mr. Mix's report. From that day forward our schools have worn a different face. Men of broad and liberal views were chosen, who regarded the prosperity and improvement of our schools, and kept a constant eye in that direction and paid but little attention to the penurious ideas which had so far been operative in our school management.

They elected as their chief executive officer a competent superintendent and paid him such a salary as enabled him to devote half, or more, of his time to the schools, and such has been the practice ever since. The board held regular meetings, and with their superintendent, did an immense amount of work. They laid, in two years, the solid foundations on

which we have since been building, and did gratuitously a work which the city should not soon forget.

The following list includes the names of all those who have been connected with the school department since its organization, either as commissioners or superintendents, and shows the number of years each has served. The table is valuable, showing not only the class of men who have been connected with our schools, but the confidence the people have reposed in them, as exhibited by repeated reëlections. The success of the board may be largely attributed to wise and willing labor on their part, and to the generous confidence of the people in their good judgment, which has thus continued them in office from year to year, and enabled them to profit by their own experience. Some who were in office only one or two years and who would have done equally well if they had continued longer in office, were dropped in consequence of the change in the limits of the wards, and number of commissioners from each ward :

M. H. Buckham,	8 Years.
L. L. Lawrence,	8 "
H. Loomis,	5 "
C. J. Alger, commissioner, 4 years,	} 6 "
" superintendent, 2 "	
L. G. Ware,	4 "
Geo. Francis,	3 "
H. O. Wheeler,	2 "
C. F. Ward,	2 "
J. E. Goodrich, superintendent,	2 "
J. H. French,	2 "
H. L. Dodge,	2 "
A. J. Willard,	1 "
W. H. Hoyt,	1 "
D. W. C. Clark,	1 "
G. G. Benedict,	1 "
James B. Angell,	1 "
W. A. Crombie,	1 "
D. C. Linsley,	1 "
Oliver Cabana,	1 "
G. T. Smith,	1 "
Carolus Noyes,	1 "
W. G. Shaw,	1 "
John B. Thomas, Jr.,	1 "

POPULAR ESTIMATE OF OUR SCHOOLS.

The complaint made ten years ago that the children of the best families did not attend our schools, was but too true when made, but a change in that respect has been brought about, and no private school here is as highly esteemed as the public schools now are, and none of them can properly be said to compete with us.

Mr. Pollens' school is in no sense a competing school, but is rather available as a useful adjunct to the public schools. In it can be properly accommodated those who have not the time or desire to pursue the full course laid down for our schools—where those can attend who wish to take special courses of study.

Mr. Hopkins' school (the Episcopal institute) is in no sense a competing school, any more than the college. It is a special school for boys, and though comparative small in numbers, is made up of students from all parts of the country, and all are under the special control and management of the principal, and are thoroughly fitted for college or for business life.

Miss Thomas and Miss Reynolds have each small schools of quite young pupils.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

If there are any schools with which the public schools may be said to be in competition, they are the special schools sustained by the Catholic church. Between us and them there is not now, and never has been, any strife or active competition, but so far as is known, a generous, forbearing spirit, on both sides. It is a matter of conscience and duty with them, and equally so with us. On our part it is a hearty adoption of the American idea of progress and national growth and unity, by means of common school education, common methods of thought and investigation, and the common equal rights of all in whatever the public, as such, institutes or sustains.

The town superintendent in 1861 reported, among other private schools, that there were that year 241 pupils in attendance at the St. Joseph school and St. Mary's convent school. Since that time the numbers in their schools have

rapidly increased, and they have largely increased their school accommodations. They have built the Nazareth school on Allen street, and since the erection of the cathedral, have occupied the lower part of St. Mary's hall (formerly their church building) for school purposes, and last season they completed their new school building on St. Paul street, a fine substantial building, and opened in it a new school called St. Patrick's academy, a school of a higher grade than any they had before had. They now have in their schools about the same number of different pupils there are in the public schools, though it is supposed their average daily attendance is somewhat less. The returns given in from two of their schools being in round numbers, and not by terms nor containing whole numbers enrolled, would perhaps indicate a general estimate rather than a report made from a careful examination of the school register. The quiet and persistent way in which their schools have been built up and increased is worthy of careful consideration and imitation. In consequence of the gradual withdrawal of their pupils to a large extent from the public schools, we have been able to do little more than to keep the total number enrolled equal to what it was years ago, though our average attendance has increased somewhat from year to year.

With the increased facilities which St. Patrick's Academy gives them, they will unquestionably increase their numbers still more. They are doing some very good educational work, no doubt, though, as is to be expected from their theory of what the schools should do, they devote a considerable proportion of their time and efforts to the religious training of the young, and especially so to the children of parents who, either from lack of early opportunities or from lack of time, are unable to give much if any attention to the religious training of their own children.

THE OPPOSITION OF WEALTH.

The hostility of a certain class against schools, school buildings, and all taxation for school purposes, as stated in the extract quoted from the report made in 1867, proved to be of but short duration, and only to schools and school

management such as we then had, and which all parties declared to be next to worthless and useless; a system of schools which, under the organizations then managing them, it was declared never could be a success. When the new system was adopted under the amended city charter, and competent men were elected to take the management of our schools, these same men who had before been ranked as opponents, became gradually the warm friends and supporters of our schools. Their opposition had been simply a matter of business. All men who acquire wealth acquire the financial idea that money should never be paid out for that which is worth less than it costs. The burden of taxation for the last eight years, for support of our schools and for building new and better buildings and new furniture for the same, and for higher salaries required to secure better teachers, has been very great, and still the complaining men are seldom seen, and never, to my knowledge, has a complaint come from the men of wealth. The school tax, among the items of taxation, is the one most cheerfully paid. If we would have the support of the best men in the city and of the men of wealth, we have but to see to it that our schools are what they ought to be, and that the school tax is wisely expended.

CONCLUSION OF THE COMPARISON.

The result of the comparison of our schools, school buildings, and our condition generally, at the present time, with our condition ten years ago, is much in favor of the present. Instead of having buildings which were a disgrace to us and the streets on which they were located, we have fine commodious buildings well furnished, ample for accommodating, not only all that are now in attendance upon the schools, but sufficient for an increase of forty per cent. upon our present numbers. They are all well furnished and pleasantly located. Instead of being worth, including furniture and grounds, what all the school property in the city was appraised at in March 1868, (when the new organization assumed the man-

agement and equalized the value of school property among the several districts) \$20,611, they are now worth, beyond any question, as follows :

High school.....	\$30,000
Adams.....	17,275
Pomeroy	15,500
Pine street	15,000
North and Murray street.....	3,000
Falls school.....	2,000
Main and Union street	4,000
North Avenue.....	1,000

Making the sum of..... \$87,775

—an increase in value of over \$60,000 in nine years. Can any one say the people have not dealt liberally with the schools, and been largely taxed for these improvements?

Our schools, instead of being ungraded, and all ages instructed together, are well graded; and instead of poor, inexperienced teachers, secured because they would work for small salaries, we have the best teachers that fair salaries can secure. Instead of lacking the confidence and patronage of the best families, we have the best families, and all families alike, unanimously approving and patronizing our schools.

Instead of having the opposition of the men of wealth, we have their cordial support.

Instead of having our schools managed by committeemen chosen at hap-hazard at thinly attended meetings, they are managed by men of broad and liberal views, elected by the people at the general city election, and many of them have held their position many years. Instead of having a superintendent holding the office as an honorary position without other pay, and devoting little or no time to the work, the board has always insisted upon having a superintendent who could and would devote at least half of his entire time, and have paid him fairly for his services; and the influence of the board upon the schools has been exerted principally through his efforts. Instead of having our children sent away, at great expense, to prepare for college, they have been fitted here; and we have now every year a gradual increase of pupils

from abroad attending our schools. Instead of having our students in the high school poorly fitted for college, they have been so well fitted for the last half dozen or more years, they have furnished the leader of the class in which they entered, with only a single year's exception to the statement, if I am rightly informed. Those not preparing for college, have received equally good instruction in the common english course.

STUDENTS FROM ABROAD.

Five years ago, we had but few pupils in our schools who did not have legal residence within the city limits, and as a consequence, but little attention was paid to collection of tuitions, and the rule finally became so modified that all who lived for the time being in the city with friends, or even if they came from outside as some did, and engaged rooms, and boarded themselves, were allowed to attend free of tuition. The rule was even relaxed still further: so that men living outside, owning considerable property in the city and paying taxes thereon, could send their children to school free of tuition, even if returning to Colchester or South Burlington every night. As our schools improved in character and reputation, the number of non-resident pupils so increased that it was deemed best to adopt a more stringent rule, and the board accordingly adopted a rule late in the past term, that after the close of that term, all pupils attending our schools who had not such residence in the city as entitled them legally to free schooling, should pay tuition in advance, at the following rates per term :

High school,.....	\$8 00
Grammar school,.....	6 00
Intermediate schools,.....	5 00
Primary schools,.....	4 00

and the superintendent was directed to enforce the rule.

As a result he has already collected for the present term considerably more money than he received for tuitions in the whole of last year. A little attention to this matter will enable us to collect quite a revenue from non-resident pupils.

attending our schools and occupying otherwise vacant seats. If there is no falling off in consequence of charging tuition, we shall collect double the amount of tuition we have made estimate for in our receipts for 1877.

FREE SCHOOLS.

Much has been said of free schools, but as yet Vermont is believed to have none absolutely free, though it has a near approach thereto. The teacher's salary is no longer paid by tax upon the pupils attending, nor his board, nor the fuel for the school building, nor the expenses of repairs thereon. In one respect however, we are still on the old system; making the cost of sending children to school to depend on the number a man sends to school, rather than on his grand list. If we would make schools entirely free, all the books, and other supplies required for use in the schools, should be purchased at the public expense. It is no inconsiderable burden upon the poor man with a large family of children, to supply them all with the necessary books. If the books were purchased at the expense of the city they could be bought in larger quantities and at a considerable reduction from retail prices, and the books could be used continuously until worn out, instead of being laid away after the pupil has advanced to another book. That many books are thus laid away, and become entirely useless and valueless, a slight examination of out-of-the-way store rooms and garrets, would make apparent. Probably a saving of 20 per cent. could be made in the purchasing of books and other supplies, and it is estimated that nearly or quite 20 per cent. more could be saved by using up books that are now laid aside in our homes, to become worthless. With this exception our schools are free, and the additional step to reach freedom would be so easy and inexpensive, that it is a wonder our legislators do not take it

SCHOOL DISCIPLINE.

Corporal punishment though never forbidden by any rule or vote of the school board, has been discountenanced very generally of late, and teachers who could not sustain good discipline without resorting to it, have not been considered as

entitled to promotion, or to continued employment in our schools. Experiments tried in many places, go to show that corporal punishments tend to produce a worse condition of things rather than a better. The superintendent of schools in the city of Syracuse, in his last report, says: "It is now more than eight years since corporal punishment was banished from our schools, and at no time during these years has the deportment of the children been inferior to what we used to have under the severer modes of discipline, but each year since, appealing to milder and more rational methods for controlling human nature, our schools have progressed in this respect. Each year has been better than the preceeding one, in the ease with which teachers have controlled their schools, and in cheerful and willing conformity to all needed requirements from pupils. It has been demonstrated in our schools at least, that children are more easily controlled by appealing to their higher faculties than even those who are older, that there is less of obstinacy and self-will to overcome, and if properly appealed to, there are but few who cannot be made orderly and attentive to school duties among all those attending our schools; and by means of this training even when deprived of salutary home influences, the masses may be and are made good and intelligent citizens."

Two years ago the superintendent found in two of our schools the customary instruments for inflicting corporal punishments, and at his first teachers' meeting discussed the matter, and expressly discountenanced their use. While the teachers would be held responsible for good order in their schools it was not believed any case would ever occur in which it would be necessary, or even expedient to resort to corporal punishment. Teachers were assured that all proper efforts to sustain good order would be faithfully supported by the superintendent, but if they resorted to discarded methods—appeals to force—they must take upon themselves the entire responsibility of it. Pupils disobeying the rules and regulations necessary for the prosperity and success of our schools were to be labored with, and if obstinate, to be sent to the superintendent, at his office hour, after school, with written statement of their offence. If their disobedience was violent or

designedly annoying to the school, they might be summarily suspended and sent to the superintendent. In most cases, reporting to the superintendent proved to be sufficient. Where it was not, after sufficient admonition, the teacher was advised to suspend the pupil.

The following is the rule of the school board in respect to suspensions :

When pupils are suspended from school, applications to have them restored should be made as follows :

For the first suspension,—To the superintendent, by the pupil.

For the second suspension,—To the superintendent, by the pupil and parent or guardian.

For the third suspension,—To the board of school commissioners, at any meeting of the same, by the pupil and parent or guardian.

We have had but very few pupils that have come to a third suspension, and are having less and less. It is believed in three years we shall cease to have any.

The serious question however, on the subject of corporal punishment, is what to do with the very *few* who seem so hardened, that to resort to any other remedy seems at first to be almost useless. Shall these *few* be deprived of their opportunity to attend school, and turned over to the courts, and the reform school ? Are such offenders worth the time and labor of a teacher sufficiently skilled in wielding moral weapons, to accomplish their subjection ? There are some teachers who could not come off victorious in such struggles, and there are some who *have* always been successful. After a few victories of this kind are won, there is less and less need of such splendid exertions. Let us hope our teachers will all be able by dignified, gentlemanly and ladylike deportment before their schools, to win their regard and secure such complete obedience, as shall banish the thought of resorting to physical remedies for moral diseases, and render a prohibitory rule in this respect, unnecessary.

IMPORTANCE OF COMMON SCHOOLS.

Opposite every school house in the land there stands another and a very different public building, and into the one or the other of these two classes of buildings it is but too true that nearly all sooner or later, must enter. Attendance at the one is voluntary, and at the other compulsory. Opposite the school house stands the jail, the reform school, or state prison. Those voluntarily attending the former, acquire much valuable learning, together with habits of morality, temperance and worldly wisdom. Theirs for the most part, are the quiet, peaceful walks of life with the comforts and honors which intelligent industry and virtue always secure. Those who go in on the opposite side lead an entirely different life, and are infected largely by vicious pauperism, profanity, intemperance and crime. It is not always, nor largely perhaps, the child's fault that he enters the wrong building. It is more largely the fault of the parent, and of society. As the showers of heaven falling upon the same mountain elevation are separated, part flowing through pleasant channels, to placid lakes, and part flowing over jagged rocks down into dead seas or malarial swamps, so children reared side by side, take different directions and courses, and arrive at different havens equally remote and unlike.

In spite of all this, there is still serious question whether the state should undertake to force free schools upon any child in the land. It should however, endeavor to persuade all to choose the better road. The power of an awakened public sentiment is almost irresistible, and it is time it was aroused and fighting against ignorance, intemperance, vicious poverty and crime. Every educated citizen could, if he would, exert an influence direct or indirect, which would result in some child's attending school who now attends no school. A half-dozen good men could, no doubt, if they should by concerted action make it their business for a week before the opening of each term of school, secure the attendance of one-hundred children, who, for want of such concerted action and careful looking after, are growing up in absolute ignorance, with the chances all in their favor for compulsory attendance at some of the public penal institutions. Cannot we have an

interest taken in this matter, and have a larger number of children attending the public schools? By so doing we could honey-comb in a few years the haunts of vice, and banish crime largely from our city. Let the little ones be gathered together in schools, public or private, and instructed by teachers of good morals and good habits, for by these little ones, in but a few years our places are to be filled.

FOR THE FUTURE.

We have considered the past and the present at unusual length, but what of the future? We are aiming high and find no time for rest. Humanity is the same in all ages, but the methods of influencing it vary. Do what we may, children will be born into the world ignorant, and will have to study and learn in order to become wise. We must improve our methods of instruction. We must select better and better teachers, and whenever there is a chance for improvement, we must not fail to make a vacancy therefor. We have not seats for all the children that ought to be in the schools, but we can make accommodations for an increase of forty per cent. upon our present numbers, in all the grades except the grammar school, without erecting any new buildings, and could instruct them, with but very inconsiderable increase of expense in those grades, as compared with our present expenses. Our course of study needs reconstruction and improvement. Some of our text books are at least questionable aids. The people do not fully understand our present methods of work. They do not all come as freely and as fully as they ought, to the members of the board, and to the superintendent to consult about points in the school management and work which they do not understand. Their friendly criticisms and suggestions are desired. They will always find courteous consideration given to their views and suggestions, and frank explanations. We want to secure more attention from parents and guardians to the monthly card sent home by the pupil, showing the standing of the pupil in each study, and average scholarship. If the marks are any of them low, the kind attention of the parent for a short time

may save the pupil from falling out of the class and losing a year. The deportment record should also be carefully scanned by parents every month ; for, seldom does a pupil fall out of his class whose deportment record had not shown for some time that his attention had been diverted from his studies. We want parents, and others interested in the schools, to visit them, and to make to the proper officers suggestions for improvements. We want those who have children in school, whose progress does not seem satisfactory to them, to visit the schools and *afterwards* report to the superintendent. The school board desire to encourage a free intercourse and an exchange of views with the people, and desire the hearty coöperation of all, in improving our methods of management and work. There should be, if possible, a better understanding between those having the catholic schools in charge, and the public schools, whereby children of catholic parents should enjoy the privileges of the public schools, without any feeling on the part of the parents that their rights are infringed upon, or their religious tenets endangered, by allowing their children to mingle with other children in the public schools. It is believed there is nothing now in our schools to which objection could reasonably be made. What the public schools lack, in their estimation, would be adopted, if reasonable and consistent with the laws of the state. There is, too, abundant opportunity given for such special instruction, outside of school, as might be deemed necessary by them. The primary and intermediate schools, with which nearly all their pupils, except the few in St. Patrick's academy, would be ranked, are in session only one hundred and eighty days in a school year—and only five hours in a day—being less than half the days in a year and only half the working hours of the day. It is proper here to say that no claim or complaint is made by them in respect to school matters. The voluntary deprivation of public school privileges by half the children of school age in the city, is worthy the attention and consideration of all who believe in equal rights and equal justice to all.

NEED OF NORMAL SCHOOLS.

We have good material in Burlington from which good teachers could be made, but our schools do not attempt to give special instruction in any of the professions, and we regard teaching as a profession, as much as law, medicine, or theology. We are unwilling to have teachers, inexperienced and uninstructed in their work. We seem, however, to have but few, resident in the city, who are willing to attend the normal schools, where the science and methods of teaching are taught. We pay between two and three hundred dollars taxes, annually, for our state normal schools, and thus far, I believe we never had a scholar go from Burlington to one of these schools to receive any benefit from this taxation. Two teachers from this place have attended normal schools outside the state—one just graduated, and the other graduated several years ago. The latter before she was induced to go was receiving \$9.00 per week and after attending one year received \$16.66 per week, and after completing her full course was engaged abroad and now receives \$25 per week, or over. These facts are stated to encourage our Burlington graduates and teachers to seek such instruction. It is true that a cry has lately been raised against normal schools. We believe it unfounded and to be the result of the establishment of inferior and defective schools of this class—and also because some have supposed such schools could make good teachers out of poor materials. The argument against law and medical schools would be just as good as against normal schools. Teachers, lawyers and doctors are born, not made, and special schools only help to bring out and polish their natural adaptation to such special work. When the work of preparing teachers for their profession is given up and reliance is placed on unaided natural fitness, we should do the same with other professions and rely upon pettifoggers in the law, and quacks in medicine.

DONATIONS.

1. A BELL. The following letter received from the Hon. John N. Pomeroy tells of the interest he has taken in our schools, and is one of a character we all desire to note.

BURLINGTON, MAY 10, 1876.

Charles J. Alger, Esq., Superintendent of Schools.

DEAR SIR.—In accordance with a design which I sometime since signified to you, and which you authorized and approved, I have this day caused to be placed upon the belfry of the Pomeroy school house, on North street, a fine-toned bell, from Meneely's foundry, West Troy, N. Y., weighing 204 lbs., as a slight recognition of the compliment implied in the name of the school house, and my interest in the cause of education—and am

Very Respectfully Yours,

JOHN N. POMEROY.

NOTE.—Inscription cast upon the bell:

JOHN N. POMEROY

To

POMEROY SCHOOL HOUSE.

CENTENNIAL.

The board by proper resolution accepted the bell, and conveyed their thanks to the generous donor.

2. BOOKS.—The great industries of the United States, was received from A. N. Merchant, and placed upon the teachers table in the high school. 1 vol. educational year book, and 3 vol. state school reports were received from Morillo Noyes, and placed in the library in superintendent's office. 13 vols. Smithsonian reports (complete set) received from Smithsonian library, and placed in the library in the superintendent's office. 1 vol. Northend's teachers assistant, received from the author, and placed in teachers library.

For the purpose of enabling those who may come after us, ten years hence or longer, to make a proper comparison with what we are doing to-day, we give the questions used in the written examinations at the close of the last spring term, for promotion from the A classes respectively, in the primary, intermediate and grammar schools. The questions in the high school are not given. The fact that those desiring to enter the university were fitted for so doing, is deemed sufficient for this purpose.

The primary questions show our primary schools to but poor advantage. The main work in that grade is in reading and object lessons, as well as numbers and spelling. As an offset for the little the questions show of their work, it is allowable to say that, in visiting schools elsewhere, I have never found primary schools superior to our own—not even in Boston, whose reputation for good schools stands as high as any city in the country, probably. There is only one improvement that can be made in our primary schools, and that would be to increase the assistants' salaries, so that we might secure assistants equal to our principals.

EXAMINATION IN MUSIC.



PRIMARY SCHOOLS,

"A" CLASSES.



- 1st. How many steps in the scale ?
- 2d. Make the staff.
- 3d. Make the G clef, on the staff.
- 4th. Make a half, quarter, whole and eighth note.
- 5th. How many beats in triple time ?
- 6th. What do you see at the end of an exercise ?
- 7th. What are these marks called $\begin{smallmatrix} \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \end{smallmatrix}$?

- 8th. What is the name of the mark
between these notes?



Copy this exercise by letter and syllable.

- 10th. How will you sing an exercise marked piano ?
 “ “ “ “ “ “ mezzo forte ?
 “ “ “ “ “ “ forte ?

The marks on examinations in music are not considered in making up the average scholarship, but they are entered upon the monthly and term report.

Fifty words in Spelling, for A Classes, Primary School.

Stranger	Style	Seats
Place	Queen	Benches
Frame	Money	Slates
Cattle	February	Thermometer
Saturday	Ceiling	Grapes
Carpet	Receive	Bureau
Parlor	Newspaper	Looking-glass
Hinder	Printing	Pitcher
Finger	August	Sofa
Music	Watching	Piano
Office	Biscuit	Talking
Potato	Feather	Attic
Statue	Onions	Daisy
Warning	Nuisance	Alice
Friday	Wednesday	Cloak
Buffalo	Cabbage	Muff
Fault	Cucumber	

Twenty Questions in Numbers, for A Classes, in Primary School.

1. Add 20, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1=
2. 145-5-6-4-7-3-8-2=
3. 187-7-6-4-3-7-9-1=
4. 146-6-6-6-6-6=
5. 99-9-9-9-9-9-9-9-9-9-6-9=
6. 80-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8=
7. 177-5-2-7-3-8-7=
8. 140-10-10-10-10=
9. Add 50, 40, 30, 20, 10=
10. Add 100, 10, 9, -8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1=
11. 116-8-8; add 20-6=
12. Add 75, 20, 10-5-5-5=

EXAMPLE 13:

Add 100

50

30

20

10

9

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EXAMPLE 14:

Add 70

30

20

25

3

4

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EXAMPLE 15:

Add 141

20

30

15

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EXAMPE 16 :	EXAMPLE 17 :	EXAMPLE 18 :	EXAMPLE 19 :
9 x 8=	12 x 6=	7 x 6=	6 x 7=
7 x 7=	11 x 7=	6 x 5=	7 x 6=
6 x 6=	10 x 5=	4 x 8=	8 x 8=
5 x 4=	9 x 6=	3 x 9=	9 x 9=
4 x 7=	8 x 7=	7 x 3=	5 x 5=

EXAMPLE 20 :

4 x 3=
5 x 6=
8 x 9=
7 x 4=
6 x 12=

One Hundred Words for Spelling, A Classes, Intermediate Schools.

Balsam	Commas	Cholera
Comet	Scissors	Critique
Devout	England	Antiquity
Extol	Sacrifice	Ocean
Liquid	Gibbet	Sugar
Linen	Annoy	Familiar
Gauge	Stoppage	Educate
Raiment	Pleasant	Beauty
Obtuse	Contagion	Guinea
Cashier	Obscene	Brother
Promise	Champagne	Stretch
Chimney	Machine	Tuition
Pacify	Gypsy	Vacation
Heifer	Incision	Occasion
Lettuce	College	Conscience
Business	Leisure	Journal
Sieve	Village	Servant
Crucify	Physician	Woman
Height	Courageous	Coward
Bureau	Region	Seraph
Cocoa	Horticulture	Danced
Rebus	Etiquette	Orphan
Foreign	Chloroform	Tables
Myrrh	Facetious	Washed
Poultice	Chronometer	Visit
Myrtle	Credentials	Tuesday
Nuisance	Sepulchre	Sphinx
Owl	Scholar	Zinc
Raccoon	Mechanician	Ache
Martyr	Extinguish	Echo
Cancer	Character	Choir
Crystals	Chemistry	Quadruped
Suite	Chromatic	Virtue
Cipher		

Questions in Arithmetic, A Classes, Intermediate Schools.

1. Define period, notation and numeration.
2. Define addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division, and give the signs for each.
3. Define minuend, subtrahend, product, quotient and remainder.
4. Define abstract and concrete numbers.
5. Define a factor, and tell which factor is the true multiplicand.
6. What is done where a partial dividend is less than the divisor?
7. How do you obtain area and capacity?
8. How many square inches in a checker-board 12 inches square?
9. How many cubic inches in a plank 1 foot long, 8 inches wide and 3 inches thick?
10. What is the product of $.1728 \times .93$?
11. What is the quotient of $.315$ divided by $.3125$?
12. Define a compound number.
13. What is reduction ascending?
14. How many feet in 200 miles, 4 yards? How many minutes in a leap year?
15. What would be the cost of a pile of wood 30 feet long, 8 feet high and 4 feet wide, at \$7.50 per cord?
16. Define fractions, and mixed numbers, proper and improper fractions, and the terms of a fraction.
17. In how many, and what ways, are fractions multiplied by an integer?
18. Reduce $7\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{3}{5}$ to improper fractions, then multiply them together and divide the product by $\frac{2}{10}$.
19. Add $3, \frac{4}{5}, 14, 5, \frac{3}{13}, \frac{1}{5}, 4, \frac{1}{2}$.
20. If 5 bushels of wheat cost $\frac{4}{5}$ of \$10, what will be the cost of 6 bushels? Write out the analysis.

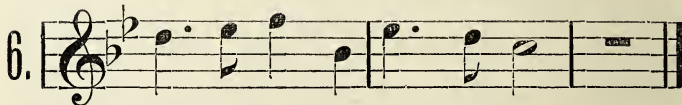
Questions in Geography, A Classes, Intermediate Schools.

1. What is Geography?
2. Name the natural divisions of land.
3. Define ocean, bay, strait, lake and river.
4. Define continent, island, isthmus, cape and peninsula.

5. On what continent, and on what part of it do we live?
6. Name the New England States and their principal manufacturing cities.
7. Name the three largest cities in the United States, and tell in what states they are located.
8. Where are the richest coal, iron and gold mines found in the United States?
9. Name the principal divisions of North America.
10. Describe the Amazon river.
11. Name and describe the principal mountain range in South America.
12. Name the grand divisions of the eastern hemisphere.
13. Name the most important countries of Europe, and give their capitals.
14. Name five important cities of Europe, and tell for what they are noted.
15. Describe the isthmus of Suez.
16. Name and locate the highest mountains of the world.
17. Name five of the largest bodies of water bordering Asia.
18. Define longitude, latitude, equator, and locate the tropics.
19. Name the zones; in which do we live?
20. Bound Vermont; give its capital, and locate it.

Examination in Music, A Classes Intermediate School.

1. Write the scale of G, ascending.
2. Write the chromatic scale ascending.
3. Write the signatures for the keys D F E^b.
4. Write this exercise in the keys of C A E A^b $\frac{3}{4}$, 1, 3, 2, 4, 5, 0, 6, 4, 2, 5, 3, 0, 1,
5. Copy this last exercise by letter and syllable.



- In what key is the above exercise?
7. What is the time?
8. What is the time of the first note?
9. Name the rest.

10. Write the figures that represent double, quadruple and sextuple time.

The marks on examinations in music are not considered in making up the average scholarship, but they are entered upon the monthly and term reports.

Questions in Arithmetic, Given A Class, Grammar School,
at their examination for admission to the high school, June
16th, 1876:

1. A merchant sold 45 yards from a roll of carpeting, and the amount sold was 20 per cent. of the whole number of yards in the roll. How many yards were there in the roll?
2. A grocer bought a hogshead containing 120 gallons of molasses, $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. of it leaked out, and he sold 35 per cent. of the remainder. How many gallons had he left?
3. A farmer sold 20 per cent. of his land, and afterwards bought 15 per cent. of as much as he had left; he then had 16 acres less than he had at first. How many acres had he at first?
4. If I pay \$38.25 for having my house insured at $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent., for what amount do I have it insured?
5. An agent receives \$592.25 with which to purchase wool, after deducting his commission of 3 per cent. What sum will he invest in wool?
6. How shall I mark calico that cost 8 cents per yard, to gain 25 per cent.?
7. A stock jobber bought 35 shares of railroad stock at 110, and sold at $115\frac{1}{2}$. What was his gain?
8. A sugar refiner imports 45 hogsheads of sugar, each weighing 350 pounds, and 25 hogsheads of molasses, each containing 120 gallons. What are the duties,—the sugar paying 2 per cent. per pound, and the molasses 6 per cent. per gallon, tare on the sugar being 10 per cent.?

9. What is the interest of \$2,700 for 2 years, 8 months and 16 days, at 7 per cent.?
10. What is the amount of \$100 for four years, at 6 per cent.,—compound interest?
- 11—12. Upon a note for \$850, dated Burlington, Vermont, Aug. 15th 1872; there was paid December 30th, 1873, \$50, and January 15th, 1875, \$200? The note was taken up July 1, 1875. How much was then due?
13. In what time will \$350 gain \$49.87½ interest at 6 per cent.?
14. Find the present worth of \$275 due in 1 year, 8 mo., discounting at 6 per cent.
15. When gold is worth 113, what amount in currency can be bought for \$5,000 in gold?
16. I took a bank note for \$900, payable in Boston, in 8 mo., with interest. Three months afterwards, I had it discounted in Burlington. What were the proceeds?
17. A merchant in Chicago paid \$572.49½ for a draft on Boston, payable 30 days after sight, when exchange on Boston was at 3 per cent. premium. What was the face of the draft?
- 18—19. Balance the following account, and find when it is due.

1870.					1870.			
June.	14.	To Mdse. at 3 mo.	250.	Oct.	1.	By Cash,	100.	
Sept.	25.	" " " 3 "	300.	Oct.	25.	" "	250.	
Dec.	10.	" " " 3 "	200.					

20. If a man buys U. S. 5-20 bonds at 105, and sells the gold interest at 114, what per cent. in currency does his investment pay him?

Questions in Grammar, Given A Class, Grammar School.

1. What is orthography?
2. What is an elementary sound, how are these sounds divided, and of what does each consist?

3. In the following words tell which are proper or improper diphthongs, and the same of the triphthongs: Hear, sew, anxious, loaf, beat, buoyant, boy.
4. What is a syllable? Divide the following words into syllables, and give the names of each: Combination, etymology, orthography, mediterranean, hero, care, ancestor.
5. Of what does etymology treat?
6. How many parts of speech are there? Name them.
7. What is a noun? How are nouns divided? Give the definition of each.
8. What belong to nouns? Give the definition of each property of the noun.
9. How many cases are there, and what does each denote?
10. What is an adjective? How are adjectives divided?
11. Point out the different kinds of adjectives in the following sentences: The berries are sweet. That is the wrong book. We played two games.
12. How many degrees of comparison do adjectives have? Define them.
13. What is a pronoun? Decline I and he.
14. What is a relative pronoun? Mention the relatives.
15. What is a verb? How are verbs divided according to their use, and form. What belong to verbs.
16. What is a participle? How many participles are there? Give all the participles of the verbs: Strike, call, run.
17. Give a synopsis of the verb see, in the first person, singular, indicative and potential modes.
18. Parse all the words in the sentences: James walked through the garden.
19. His own mother would hardly have known him.
20. Neither moon nor stars shine upon the wanderer.

Twenty-five Words for Spelling, Given A Class, in Grammar School.

Basil	Sebastian	Melicent
Baldwin	Theophilus	Olympia
Bartholomew	Althea	Philippa
Eliphalet	Beatrice	Rosalie
Frederic	Cynthia	Salome
Gideon	Ernestine	Theodosia
Julius	Eugenia	Wilhelmina
Lorenzo	Juliana	Tryphena
Maurice		

Give rules for capitals in following sentences :

The armies of Napoleon.

A journey to Canada.

The island of St. Helena.

That is a Canadian settlement.

Anderson's history of the United States.

But thou, oh hope, with eyes so fair.

Alexander Pope says : "Order is heaven's first law."

Who says that "from our own selves our joys must flow?"

Then honor comes, a pilgrim gray,

To bless the turf that wraps their clay,—

The British Parliament.

Rules for Spelling.

Throw—throwing.

Accuse—accusation.

Join—joining.

Mystery—mysterious.

Confer—conferred.

Dig—digging.

Betray—betraying.

Romantic.

Cloth—clothe.

Acknowledge—acknowledgment.

Downfall.

**Questions in Natural History, Given to A Class in Grammar
School, June 1876.**

1. Name the grand divisions of vertebrates, and state the difference between them.
2. Mention the differences between the American and old world monkeys.
3. Name and define the divisions of quadrupeds, and mention the domestic animals belonging to each division.
4. Mention two ways in which carnivorous animals may be distinguished from ruminants.
5. Describe the gnawing teeth of rodents, and name the families.
6. Describe the stomach of a ruminant, and name families.
7. Name the sub-families of antelopes.
8. Why is the whale placed among mammals rather than fishes?
9. Mention the ways in which birds differ from mammals.
10. Describe the gizzard and crop.
11. Name and define the four groups of insessores, and name families of each group.
12. Describe the common fowl, and turkey, and tell to what order and family each belongs.
13. Mention all the ways in which the cursores differ from the other orders of land birds.
14. Name the families of natatores and grallatores, and describe natatores.
15. Name the classes of articulates, and tell the difference between insects and spiders.
16. Tell how insects are classified; describe the wings; and name the orders.
17. Name and define divisions of coleoptera, describe the metamorphosis, also the metamorphosis of orthoptera.
18. Name and define divisions of hymenoptera; name and define sub-divisions of second division; name families of first sub-division, and tell how the insects of the second sub-division are distinguished.

19. Give two divisions of lepidoptera, and tell how they may be distinguished from each other, and name two subdivisions of second group.

20. Describe the respiratory apparatus of arachnida.

Pupils to be promoted must not be below 60 in any study, nor have an average, in all their examinations, below 75.

The average age of the class promoted from the grammar school was 15—the youngest 12 years, oldest 19 years.

The following are the names of the last graduating class from the high school:

ENGLISH COURSE.

GEO. W. HILL,	IDA E. GREENE,	EVA L. POST,
CHARLES C. MILLER,	MARY M. HENRY,	JESSIE A. ROBINSON,
FRANK STINSON,	HATTIE G. HUMPHREY,	HELEN M. ROWE,
MAGGIE L. ALLEN,	PRISCILLA E. KNAPTON	HELEN B. SAFFORD,
LOTTIE M. BURNETT,	ELLA E. MANWELL,	LIZZIE A. WEBB,
SALLIE C. CATLIN,	ANNA L. MARSH,	NETTIE E. WOODBURY.
MARY E. FISK,	HELEN M. PHELPS,	

CLASSICAL COURSE.

JAMES BUCKHAM,	EDWARD A. DAVIS,	FANNIE M. CRAM,
CHARLES A. CASTLE,	WALTER B. GATES,	CLARA H. PEASE,
GEO. B. CATLIN,	HENRY M. WOODS,	JENNIE H. PEASE.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

In closing a report, too long perhaps already, for your patience, I have but to say that the public schools have made progress during the year; that they are all in charge of professional teachers, for the most part emulous of success, and all working harmoniously together, carrying out one common system, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the school board.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES J. ALGER, *Sup't.*

February, 1877.

REPORT

—OF THE—

CITY TREASURER.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
January 1, 1877. }

To the City Council of the City of Burlington :

GENTLEMEN :—Your treasurer submits the following report for the year 1876 :

BILLS PAYABLE.

Water bonds, amount issued,	\$255,000 00
Less cancelled by sinking fund,	10,100 00
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Outstanding,	\$244,900 00
Improvement bonds, amount issued,	\$ 35,000 00
Bonds in aid of Burlington & Lamoille railroad,	
amount issued,	160,000 00
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Total bonded debt,	\$439,900 00

NOTE.—Sinking fund, \$36,955.68.

TEMPORARY LOANS.

RECEIPTS.

From balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1875,....	\$ 14,234 22
“ temporary loans,.....	18,000 00
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	\$ 32,234 22

DISBURSEMENTS.

To paid temporary loans,.....	\$ 18,000 00
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BILLS RECEIVABLE.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Merchant's national bank, per receipt,	\$ 4,800 00
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BURLINGTON WATER WORKS—CONSTRUCTION.

RECEIPTS.

From amount of late account, Dec. 31, 1875,...	\$ 496 92
“ Shedd & Walker, for old lead,.....	72 87
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	\$ 569 79

DISBURSEMENTS.

To amount of late account, Dec. 31, 1875,....	\$251,671 30
“ C. F. Spaulding, Sup't., August statement,..	123 00
“ “ “ Sept. “ ..	73 52
“ “ “ October “ ..	1,705 67
“ “ “ November “ ..	722 90
“ “ “ December “ ..	56 31
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	\$254,352 70

BURLINGTON WATER WORKS—CURRENT.

RECEIPTS.

From collections of water rates for 1875,	\$ 2,468 40
“ “ “ “ 1876,.....	17,095 73
“ sale of grass on reservoir lot,.....	20 00
“ individual accounts for pipe and labor,...	62 82
“ city tax, to balance,.....	5,099 45
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	\$ 24,746 40

DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. Johnson, Sup't., current expenses,.....	\$ 995 43
“ “ “ pumping “	939 75
“ C. F. Spaulding, Sup't., current “	2,065 33
“ “ “ pumping “	6,051 89
“ interest account on bonds,	14,694 00
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	\$ 24,746 40

BURLINGTON WATER WORKS—PUMPING.

RECEIPTS.

From transfer to Burlington water works, current,.....	\$ 6,991 64
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. Johnson, Sup't.,.....	\$ 939 75
“ C. F. Spaulding, Sup't.,.....	6,051 89
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	\$ 6,991 64

BURLINGTON & LAMOILLE RAILROAD.

DISBURSEMENTS.

For this amount in city bonds, payable in twenty years, for one thousand six hundred shares of capital stock,.....	\$160,000 00
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CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

RECEIPTS.

From D. Lyon, commissioner,.....	\$ 200 00
“ interest on Hatch fund,.....	9 00
“ D. Lyon, commissioner, sales of lots,.....	880 89
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	\$ 1,089 89

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1875,.....	\$	29	27
“ D. Lyon, commissioner, interest on Hatch fund,.....		6	00
“ D. Lyon, commissioner,.....		200	00
“ “ “ receipts for lots,.....		880	89
“ Burlington water works,.....		100	00
	\$	1,216	16

CITY REAL ESTATE.

RECEIPTS.

From city tax of 1874,.....	\$	270	27
“ “ “ 1875,.....		11,243	64
	\$	11,513	91

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance of late account, Dec. 31, 1875,.....	\$	23,423	03
“ Catharine Hughes, on account of land, for Barnes hose house,.....		222	88
	\$	23,645	91

CITY HALL DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS.

From G. D. Weller, treasurer, hall rent,.....	\$	1,000	45
“ H. S. White, store rent,.....		285	42
“ G. M. Peterson, “		75	00
“ John Griffin, “		85	94
“ Liquor agency, “		83	34
“ L. L. Lawrence, office rent,.....		150	00
“ Adsit & Bigelow, “		100	00
	\$	1,780	15

DISBURSEMENTS.

WAR.

To Burlington Gas Light Co.,	47, ...	\$	68	95
“ L. & Z. T. Austin, repairs,	67, ...		4	85
“ A. P. Lowell, “	112, ...		11	56
“ Shepard, Morse & Co., lumber,	113, ...		9	80

To	WAR.	
" H. N. Coon, repairs,	114,....	3 00
" J. E. Spence, "	115,....	3 35
" L. & Z. T. Austin, repairs,	108,....	8 00
" Wilkins & Lyman, coal bill,	130,....	304 12
" Burlington Gas Light Co.,	120,....	130 81
" H. Roby & Bros., repairs,	197,...	14 64
" Wheelock & Griffin, gas fitting,	195,....	8 66
" T. A. Wheelock, for repairs,	196,....	42 94
" Burlington Gas Light Co.,	256,....	92 93
" A. G. Strong, hardware and paints,	188,....	11 10
" Vermont Mutual Insurance Co.,	235,....	63 75
" John Griffin, repairs,	209 and 25,....	34 37
" George I. Hagar, hardware,	224,....	3 20
" Griswold & Frissell, insurance,	275,....	62 50
" Incidental expenses for the year,	273,....	45 09
" John Griffin, plūmbing, etc.,	263,....	63 96
" Burlington Gas Light Co.,	285,....	78 23
" " " " constable's office,.....	287,....	19 66
" Roby Bros., for repairs,	289,....	25 54
" Burlington water works,	....	30 00
" A. G. Lucas, for glazing,	312,....	9 65
" C. N. Mead, for gas fixture,	313,....	5 00
" G. D. Weller, janitor's salary,	...	360 00
" Street Dep't., making sewer connections,....		15 00
" Transferred to incidental account,	249 49
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		\$ 1,780 15

CITY MARKET.

RECEIPTS.

From L. Underwood, for rent,\$	200 00
" H. C. Smith, "	87 50
" Liquor agency, "	116 66
" C. W. Drew, "	25 00
" City tax of 1876, to balance,	354 00
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		\$ 783 16

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To Alger & Greene, for insurance,	140,....\$	15 50
“ Bronsons, Weston, Dunham & Co., for lumber,.....	141,....	66 00
“ James E. Russell, for repairs,	187,....	58 15
“ Shepard, Morse & Co., for lumber,	191,....	3 95
“ Bronsons, Weston, Dunham & Co., for lumber,.....	192,....	48 63
“ E. W. Peck & Co., lime and cement,	193,....	13 50
“ Winooski Lumber Co., for lumber,	190,....	2 34
“ George I. Hagar, for hardware and paints,	189,....	24 01
“ A. P. Lowell, for carpenter work,	204,....	225 00
“ Robert Scott, for painting,	207,....	30 19
“ Vermont Mutual Insurance Co.,	235,....	24 38
“ Robert Scott, for glazing,	221,....	2 19
“ J. Griffin, plumbing and gas fitting,	226,....	158 94
“ G. W. Beckwith, for repairing roof,	245,....	17 00
“ Ripley & Holton, paints and oils,	246,....	32 68
“ G. H. Bostwick, smith work,	244,....	2 28
“ A. P. Lowell, repairs,	262,....	29 60
“ Burlington water works,	22 00
“ Superintendent of streets, repairs,	2 81
“ A. G. Lucas, glazing,	312,....	4 01
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	\$	783 16

CITY TAX, 1874.

RECEIPTS.

From H. S. White, constable,\$	270 27
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To amount transferred to real estate,\$	270 27
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CITY TAX, 1875.

RECEIPTS.

From balance, December 31, 1875,\$	10,619 31
“ Collections,	624 33
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	\$	11,243 64

DISBURSEMENTS.

To amount transferred to real estate,\$ 11,243 64

CITY, HIGHWAY AND SCHOOL TAX COLLECTIONS.

RECEIPTS,—1875.

From balance, Dec. 31, 1875,\$ 865 00
 “ Collections, 21 80
 “ W. G. Ferrin, state auditor, for
 error in list, 32 06

\$ 918 86

DISBURSEMENTS.

	WAR.	
To H. A. Bixby, poll-tax refunded,	62, ..	6 68
“ L. Barnes, error in state tax,	....	16 80
“ S. M. Pope, “ “ “	....	9 72
“ D. Murray, “ “ “	....	4 24
“ C. P. Currier, “ “ “	....	1 30
“ James Bingham, dog tax refunded,	68,....	2 70
“ Ed. Willett, poll “ “	91,....	6 70
“ Patrick Madden, poll “ “	69,....	5 40
“ L. C. Dodge, error in tax, “	74,....	3 38
“ Distribution to city tax on collections,	....	624 33
“ “ “ Highway tax “	....	62 43
“ “ “ School tax, “	....	156 08

\$ 899 76

CITY, HIGHWAY AND SCHOOL TAX COLLECTIONS.

RECEIPTS,—1876.

From collections,\$ 83,027 51
 “ L. J. Smith, constable, 4,945 00

\$ 87,972 51

DISBURSEMENTS.

To distribution to city tax on collections,\$ 59,806 00
 “ “ “ highway tax on “ 7,036 00
 “ “ “ school tax on “ 17,590 00
 “ “ “ sewer dep't “ 3,518 00

" J. W. Gleed, poll-tax refunded,	280,....	5 50
" Jas. McKanna, " "	294,....	5 50
" Chas. Brouillette, dog-tax refunded,	293,....	2 50
" A. L. Papineau, " "	292,....	2 50
" C. G. Peterson, " "	317,....	2 50
" P. McCaffrey, " "	305,....	2 50

\$ 87,971 00

CITY TAX.

RECEIPTS,—1876.

From collections, \$ 59,806 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To appropriation aid bonds, interest account,....	\$ 9,600 00
" " Improvement bonds, interest account,.....	2,100 00
" appropriation pauper department,	7,000 00
" " Sinking fund,	4,000 00
" " Fletcher free library,	3,000 00
" " Street-light department,	3,500 00
" " Criminal department,	4,500 00
" " Fire department,	3,000 00
" " Burlington water works,	5,099 45
" " City market,	354 00
" " Incidental department,	5,240 66
" " Interest account,	2,664 45
" " Park account,	898 00

\$ 50,956 56

TOWN OF COLCHESTER.

RECEIPTS.

From town treasurer, to balance, \$ 60 02

DISBURSEMENTS.

To $\frac{1}{2}$ repairs on Winooski bridge, 1875, \$ 60 02

CRIMINAL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From city tax appropriation,	....\$	4,500 00
“ M. R. Tyler, judge of city court, fines and costs,.....		222 87
“ J. B. Hollenbeck, justice court, fines and costs,.....		2 04
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, fines and costs,.....		240 24
“ Henry Halo, policeman, fines and costs,....		23 21
“ E. H. Blush, “ “ “		19 32
“ H. S. White, constable, “ “		12 17
“ Jas. McCuen, policeman, “ “		10 47
	\$	5,030 32

DISBURSEMENTS.

WAR.

To balance of account, Dec. 31, 1875,	....\$	420 31
“ J. B. Hollenbeck, justice court,	4,....	123 74
“ M. R. Tyler, judge city court,	3,....	368 11
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, services,	2,....	647 00
“ “ sheriff, jailor's fees,	41,....	610 75
“ Eli Pouquette, informer's complaint,	34,....	5 00
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	49,....	33 54
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, services,	88,....	627 00
“ M. R. Tyler, judge city court,	72,....	124 58
“ J. B. Hollenbeck, justice court,	107,....	47 00
“ Wilkins & Lyman, coal bill,	130,....	33 25
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, services,	154,....	423 00
“ “ special “ “	155,....	57 50
“ T. A. Wheelock, repairing closet,	196,....	14 80
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	257,....	12 82
“ M. R. Tyler, judge city court,	156,....	274 56
“ J. B. Hollenbeck, justice court,	203,....	20 35
“ L. A. Drew, chief of police, services,	247,....	618 00
“ M. R. Tyler, judge city court,	276,....	405 10
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	286,....	24 37
“ E. H. Blush, policeman's fees,	310,...	9 90
“ Burlington water works,	....	10 00
	\$	4,915 68

FIRE DEPARTMENT.**RECEIPTS.**

From balance of account, Dec. 31, 1875,	.... \$	493 22
“ J. W. Kelley, for varnish,	1 38
“ W. H. Boyd, for brushes,	1 20
“ City tax appropriation,	3,000 00
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	\$	3,495 80

DISBURSEMENTS.**WAR.**

To C. H. Whitney, for rubber coats to		
Boxer No. 3,	10, ... \$	10 00
“ H. J. Nelson, furniture for Star Hose		
Co., and Hook and Ladder Co., ...	15,	56 50
“ G. F. Morse, ringing alarms,	44,	14 00
“ J. F. Dowsing, “ “	45, ...	10 00
“ D. K. Zottman, stove for Howard hose,	36,	19 05
“ Barnes hose house, repairs,	42, ...	101 20
“ Ethan Allen Engine Co.,	43,	82 20
“ Barnes Hose Co.,	37,	42 58
“ Star Hose Co.,	82,	36 15
“ Boston Rubber Co., 400 feet linen hose	85,	360 00
“ Boxer Engine Co.,	83,	43 45
“ Hood and Ladder Co.,	84,	40 53
“ Howard Hose Co.,	102,	100 00
“ J. F. Dowsing, ringing alarms,	116,	7 00
“ G. F. Morse, “ “	117,	5 00
“ Barnes Hose Co.,	124,	28 37
“ Clipper Hose Co.,	123,	20 75
“ Ethan Allen Engine Co.,	146,	43 18
“ Repairs Ethan Allen engine house,	150,	38 46
“ Howard Hose Co.,	149,	30 83
“ A. B. Lowry, overseer, for wood,	180,	110 00
“ Star Hose Co.,	186, . .	44 98
“ Barnes Hose Co.,	185,	28 37
“ Star Hose Co.,	215,	27 80
“ Free Press Association, adv'g.,	214,	4 50
“ Hook and Ladder Co.,	216,	44 65

WAR.

To Burlington water works, putting in water for Barnes and Howard hose houses,.....				217,...	\$	46	07
" J. F. Dowsing, ringing alarms,				218,....		4	00
" G. F. Morse, " "				219,....		5	00
" Boxer Engine Co.,				222,....		74	60
" Queen City Band, annual parade,				231,....		25	00
" Repairs, Ethan Allen engine house,				238,....		22	21
" Howard Hose Co.,				249,....		26	58
" St. Mary's band annual parade,				230, ...		25	00
" Clipper Hose Co.,				237,....		25	65
" Hook and Ladder Co.,				278,....		24	00
" T. W. Fisher, lanterns, E. A. Co.,				277,....		7	95
" Barnes Hose Co.,				279,....		10	30
" Burlington water works,					1,200	00
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						\$	2,845 91

FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

From city tax appropriation,\$	3,000	00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

WAR.

To balance of account, Dec. 31, 1875,\$	409	20
" S. Huntington & Co., stationery,	5,...	18	00
" Whitcomb & Fuller, insurance,	19,....	29	00
" T. P. W. Rogers, librarian, incidentals	26,....	24	30
" H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	25,....	90	00
" Burlington Gas Light Co.,	48,....	33	98
" H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	38,....	90	00
" T. P. W. Rogers, librarian, incidentals	54,....	45	75
" Free Press Association, printing,	53,....	33	00
" H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	....	90	00
" T. P. W. Rogers, librarian, incidentals	81,....	77	15
" L. E. Durant, assistant librarian,	100,....	32	00
" " " "	106, ...	32	00
" H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	105,....	90	00

	WAR.	
To Wilkins & Lyman, coal bill,	129,....\$	76 05
“ T. P.W. Rogers, librarian, incidentals	127,....	66 06
“ L. E. Durant, assistant librarian	162,....	42 67
“ H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	161,....	90 00
“ S. Huntington & Co.,	157,....	56 61
“ Free Press Association,	160,....	14 00
“ T. P.W. Rogers, librarian, incidentals	163,....	16 27
“ T. S. Peck, insurance,	164,....	14 50
“ Brinsmaid & Hildreth, clock,	153,....	8 00
“ H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	174, ...	90 00
“ L. E. Durant, assistant librarian,	175,....	34 67
“ “ “ “	183,...	34 67
“ H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	184,....	90 00
“ T. S. Peck, insurance,	199,....	31 90
“ T. P.W. Rogers, librarian, incidentals	182,....	12 15
“ L. E. Durant, assistant librarian,	233,....	34 67
“ Estate of Paul T. Sweet,	214,....	6 83
“ Allen & Stone,	214,....	3 75
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	214,....	6 84
“ Vermont Mutual Insurance Co.,	235,....	28 75
“ T.P.W. Rogers, librarian, incidentals	212,....	15 84
“ H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	232,....	90 00
“ Whitcomb & Fuller, insurance,	248,.. .	29 00
“ T. P.W. Rogers, incidental expenses,	253,....	22 82
“ Miss F. G. Dow, assistant librarian,	260,....	34 67
“ T. P.W. Rogers, incidental expenses,	261,....	50 83
“ H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	259,....	90 00
“ “ “ “	296,....	90 00
“ F. G. Dow, assistant librarian	297,....	34 67
“ Burlington Water Works,	6 00
“ T. P. W. Rogers, librarian, salary,	800 00
“ H. H. Ames, on catalogue,	90 00
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		\$ 3,206 60

GREEN MOUNTAIN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.**DISBURSEMENTS.**

To balance, December 31, 1875,\$ 225 85

IMPROVEMENT OF STREETS AND SEWERS.**DISBURSEMENTS.**

To street department, balance, Dec. 31, 1875, ...\$ 18,750 00
 " Sewer " " " " 16,250 00
 \$35,000 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT—WATER BONDS.**RECEIPTS.**

From amount transfered to B. W. W.,\$ 14,694 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Ninth National Bank, interest account, 14,694 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT—IMPROVEMENT BONDS.**RECEIPTS.**

From city tax appropriation\$ 2,100 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Ninth National Bank, interest account,\$ 2,100 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT—BONDS IN AID OF B. & L. R. R.**RECEIPTS.**

From city tax appropriation,\$ 9,600 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Ninth National Bank, interest account,\$ 4,800 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.**RECEIPTS.**

From interest on deposits,\$ 179 38
 " City tax to balance, 2,664 45
 \$ 2,843 83

DISBURSEMENTS.

To interest on temporary loans,	....\$	248 90
“ “ “ U. S. D. fund to school depart.	1,747 39
“ “ to sinking fund,	824 27
“ “ to South Burlington,	23 27
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	\$	2,843 83

INCIDENTAL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From license department,\$	663 30
“ City hall department, balance,	249 49
“ Liquor agency, profit and loss,	257 73
“ City tax, appropriation,	5,240 66
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	\$	6,411 18

DISBURSEMENTS.

WAR.

To W. H. Root, clerk, making rate-bill		
of state taxes and office expenses,.. 1, . \$	122 35	
“ J. B. Hyndman, engrossing ordinances 6,	35 88	
“ N. Parker, services as auditor, 22,	18 00	
“ M. Mulqueen, “ “ “ 23,	21 00	
“ H. H. Doolittle, services as auditor, 24,	15 00	
“ C. P. Thayer, health officer, 20,	25 00	
“ W. Scott, ruling and binding, 11,	51 50	
“ Mrs. R. N. Taylor, for injury on side-		
walk,	50 00	
“ O. C. Stacy, damage to barouche, 7,	25 50	
“ H. J. Nelson, sundries for clerk's office 14,	3 79	
“ C. P. Thayer, health officer, 35,	25 00	
“ Daniel Roberts, legal services, 39,	240 00	
“ H. O. Wheeler, registration returns, 40,	94 20	
“ W. G. Shaw, legal services, 32, ...	10 00	

WAR.

To W. G. Shaw, services as auditor,	33,....\$	15 00
“ Mark Thompson, printing,	31,....	2 50
“ R. S. Styles & Son, “	51,....	42 23
“ W. H. Thomas, damage to land and house, on North Bend street, by water,.....	70,....	450 00
“ Brinsmaid & Hildreth, for police badge, presented to L. A. Drew, chief of police,.....	71,....	80 00
“ Mark Thompson, print'g for assessors,	77,....	45 80
“ E. H. Phelps, engineer,	75,....	21 90
“ C. P. Thayer, health officer,	78,....	32 00
“ W. H. Root, office expenses,	73,....	16 50
“ R. S. Styles, printing,	80,....	10 25
“ William Scott, binding, etc.,	79,....	50 64
“ L. L. Lawrence, city attorney,	101,....	279 90
“ A. R. Duncan, damage to wagon,	98,....	3 50
“ Free Press Association, printing re- ports, etc.,.....	104,....	399 00
“ A. N. Merchant, advertising,	102,....	31 75
“ M. Mulqueen, assessor,	143,	189 00
“ L. O. Thompson, clerk in ward 1,	136,....	6 00
“ Mark Thompson, printing,	133,....	15 50
“ C. S. Kinsley, printing and adv'g.,	137,....	13 50
“ A. W. Allen, assessor,	142,....	142 50
“ Free Press Association, adv'g.,	159,....	28 25
“ S. Huntington & Co., stationery,	158,....	50 29
“ H. H. Doolittle, assessor,	144,....	157 50
“ W. E. Tibbetts,	178,....	3 20
“ C. P. Thayer, health officer,	164,....	27 00
“ W. H. Root, rate bill and office ex- penses,.....	177,....	163 40

	WAR.	
To M. Thompson, printing,	165, ..\$	36 50
“ C. W. Brownell, horse for assessors,	176,....	1 50
“ Peter Collier, analysis of water,	171,....	200 00
“ W. W. Atwater, advertising,	138,....	2 00
“ Converse & Cushman, ice,	208,....	11 00
“ A. P. Lowell, fitting voting places,	205, ...	16 94
“ W. H. Lee, clerk in ward 3,	200, ...	6 00
“ R. S. Styles, printing voting-lists,	210,....	105 72
“ R. J. Wright, services in clerk's office,	211,....	62 50
“ Vermont Mutual, insurance bridges,	235,....	27 84
“ A. B. Lowry, moving office to city market,.....	223,....	6 04
“ L. J. Smith, serving sewer notices,	228,....	11 16
“ R. J. Wright, services for street de- partment,.....	234,....	67 50
“ E. H. Phelps, engineer,	229,....	83 42
“ Repairing wash-out on W. H. Thom- as' land,.....		114 08
“ R. McLaughlin, damage on highway,	243,....	8 75
“ Free Press Association, adv'g.,	252,....	26 50
“ W. H. Root, work for street commis- sioners, and office expenses,.....	265,....	37 15
“ C. P. Thayer, health officer,	271,...	25 00
“ C. S. Kinsley, advertising,	272,....	5 50
“ City treasurer, office expenses,	274,....	20 30
“ C. E. Allen, clerk in ward 1,	291,....	6 00
“ Burlington water works, 10 watering- troughs,.....		250 00
“ City, Battery, and College park, foun- tains,.....		75 00
“ Post Stannard G. A. R., decoration day,.....	314,....	100 00
“ R. J. Wright, clerk in ward 5,	304,....	6 00

WAR.

To H. S. Peck, clerk in ward 2,	302,....\$	9 00
“ John F. Hogan, “ “ 1,	301,....	6 00
“ W. G. Watson, “ “ 4,	300,....	6 00
“ A. N. Merchant, advertising,	308,....	52 00
“ R. S. Styles, printing,	306,....	7 25
“ G. W. Lee, fitting voting place in ward 2,	268,....	2 95
“ T. A. Wheelock, pest-house bill in '75	309,....	13 50
“ Allen & Stone, “ “ “ 311, . .		5 00
“ C. H. Blodgett, mayor, salary '75,	. . .	125 00
“ W. H. Root, clerk, salary to Dec. 25,	....	800 00
“ G. D. Weller, treasurer, salary to December 25,		1,000 00
“ W. Zottman, Sup't., repairs on mine- ral spring,		57 75
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	\$	6,411 18

ELMORE JOHNSON, Superintendent.**DR.**

To balance, December 31, 1875,\$	147 79
“ Cash of city treasurer,	1,787 39
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	\$	1,935 18

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Paid Burlington water works, current,\$	995 17
“ “ “ pumping,	939 75
“ “ “ collections,	26
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	\$	1,935 18

LICENSE DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

	WAR.	
From hotel licenses,\$	70 00
“ Saloon “	388 30
“ Billiard “	35 00
“ Carriage “	80 00
“ Auctioneer licenses,	40 00
“ Circus “	50 00
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	\$	663 30

DISBURSEMENTS.

To transferred to incidental department,\$	663 30
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LIQUOR AGENCY, M. A. Evarts, Agent.

RECEIPTS.

From A. A. Harrington, agent, error in '75,\$	10 26
“ M. A. Evarts, agent, sales of liquors,	1,827 31
“ Invoice transferred to I. E. Shat-		
tuck, agent,.....		1,768 02
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	\$	3,605 59

DISBURSEMENTS.

To invoice liquors on hand Dec. 31, '75,\$	1,390 61
“ Central Vt. R. R., freight,	30,....	13 90
“ Irwin & McKelsey, bill liquors,	29,....	311 62
“ I. D. Richards & Sons, bill liquors,	28,....	176 48
“ Wells, Richardson & Co., “	“ 111-18,....	298 80
“ Burlington Gas Light Co., bill gas,	119,....	3 42
“ Clickner, Knight & Co., bill liquor,	109,....	280 25
“ I. D. Richards & Sons, “	110,....	168 38
“ Freight and office expenses,	....	16 85
“ City hall for rent,	....	83 34
“ M. A. Evarts, agent, 5 month's salary,	....	257 67
“ Wells, Richardson & Co., bill liquors,	27,....	164 40
“ “ “ “ “	198,....	312 91
“ Incidental account, profit and loss,	126 96
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	\$	3,605 59

LIQUOR AGENCY, Ira Shattuck, Agent.**RECEIPTS.****WAR.**

From Ira Shattuck, agent, sales of liquors,	\$ 2,571 78
“ Invoice liquors on hand,	1,194 03
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	\$ 3,765 81

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Invoice liquors of M. A. Evarts, ag't, ...	\$ 1,768 02
“ Wilkins & Lyman, coal bill, 130,....	26 60
“ A. A. Harrington, bill wine, 139,....	15 00
“ Wells, Richardson & Co., bill wine, 151,....	20 00
“ “ “ “ “ liquors, 198,....	509 93
“ Burlington Gas Light Co., bill gas, 258,....	11 97
“ Wells, Richardson & Co., bill liquors, 254,....	199 37
“ “ “ “ “ “ 286,....	22 33
“ Griswold & Frissell, insurance, 275,....	10 00
“ Clickner, Knight & Co., bill liquors,	134 40
“ Burlington Gas Light Co., bill gas, 286,....	24 37
“ I. D. Richards & Sons, bill liquors, 295,....	243 98
“ Burlington water works,	10 00
“ Freight and office expenses,	19 11
“ C. H. Graves & Son, bill liquors, 316,....	266 63
“ City hall and city market, for rent,	116 66
“ I. Shattuck, agent, salary to Dec. 31,	236 67
“ Incidental account, profit and loss,	130 77
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	\$ 3,765 81

MINISTERIAL FUND.**RECEIPTS.**

From lease land rents,	\$ 49 88
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. Barlow, treasurer 1st Cong. Society,	\$ 24 94
“ M. H. Stone, “ 1st Calv. “ “	24 94
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	\$ 49 88
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CITY HALL AND BATTERY PARKS.**RECEIPTS.**

	WAR.	
From H. S. White, collector, tax of 1874,\$	13 51
“ College park, transferred,	3 65
“ City tax 1875, to balance,	898 00
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	\$	915 16

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance Dec. 31, 1875,\$	398 09
“ E. Blush, mowing city hall park, 135,....		12 00
“ A. Taylor, for trees, Battery park, 206,....		25 00
“ “ “ “ City Hall “ 206,....		38 00
“ G. W. Beckwith, Sup't., for repairs, Battery park,.....		54 03
“ G. W. Beckwith, Sup't., for repairs, City Hall park,.....		20 00
“ W. Zottman, Sup't., for repairs, City Hall park,.....		169 89
“ W. Zottman, Sup't., for repairs, Bat- tery park,.....		198 15
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	\$	915 16

COLLEGE PARK.**RECEIPTS.**

From balance, Dec. 31, 1875,\$	3 65
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To transferred to City Hall and Battery parks,....\$	3 65
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POOR DEPARTMENT.**RECEIPTS.**

From city tax appropriation,\$	7,000 00
“ State Treas., boarding prisoners in jail,		257 94
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	\$	7,257 94

DISBURSEMENTS.

WAR.

To L. A. Drew, sheriff, boarding prisoners in jail, and A. B. Lowry, overseer, expenses,.....	122,....	\$ 257 94
" A. B. Lowry, overseer of poor,	132,....	1,400 00
" " " "	152,....	687 50
" " " "	64,....	1,500 00
" " " "	201,....	789 95
" " " "	202,....	950 00
" " " "	315,...	1,148 08
" " " " salary,	500 00
" Insurance on buildings,	235,....	24 47
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		\$ 7,257 94

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From school commissioners for loans,	\$ 11,500 00
" Rents of lease land,	....	156 86
" Interest on U. S. D. fund,	....	1,747 39
" " on water bonds,	....	84 00
" Tax collections grand list of 1874-75,	....	291 21
" " " " " " 1876,	17,590 00
" C. J. Alger, supt., tuition from non-resident pupils in 1876,	132 00
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		\$ 31,501 46

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance, December 31, 1875,	\$ 2,258 44
" School commissioners, warrants for loans and interest,	11,760 34
" School commissioners warrants, pay-rolls	15,868 24
" " " " incidentals,	3,598 54
" Interest on temporary loans,	115 90
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		\$ 33,601 46

SEWER DEPARTMENT.**RECEIPTS.**

WAR.

From collections on sewer tax,\$	3,518 00
“ Collections on St. Paul street,	....	27 50
“ “ College east of Church street,	....	38 03
“ “ “ west “ “	....	65 57
“ “ Winooski Ave. sewer,	....	1,894 59
“ “ Pine street “	....	332 39
“ “ Pearl street “	....	135 58
“ “ Locust street “	....	108 91
“ “ Union street “	....	296 57

\$ 6,417 14

NOTE—Uncollected assessments, \$3,308.35.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To balance, December 31, 1876,	....\$	517 56
“ Construction Winooski Ave. sewer, by G. W. Beckwith, Sup't., 1875,	....	498 22
“ B. S. Nichols, damages awarded, 288,	....	1,000 00
“ W. Zottman, Sup't, balance Winooski avenue 1875,	....	2,279 77
“ W. Zottman Sup't, construction,	....	8,701 92

\$ 12,997 47

SINKING FUND.**RECEIPTS.**

From balance, Decmber 31, 1875,	....\$	13,737 87
“ Collections on tax of 1874,	....	27 04
“ City tax appropriation,	....	4,000 00
“ Interest on bonds and loans,	....	2,340 77

\$ 20,105 68

NOTE—There is belonging to this fund,

city bonds,	\$	16,850 00
“ Of bills receiveable and cash,	....	20,105 68

\$ 36,955 68

STREET DEPARTMENT.**RECEIPTS.**

From balance, December 31, 1875,	....\$	616 82
“ D. C. Linsley, superintendent, un- claimed pay-roll,	....	50
“ Collections on highway tax of 1874,	....	54 05
“ Colchester bridge repairs,	....	10 23
“ Collections on highway tax of 1875,	....	62 43
“ Collections on highway tax of 1876,	7,036 00
“ Highway land damage, construction,	9 75
“ G. W. Beckwith, supt. returned,	45 69
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	\$	7,835 47

DISBURSEMENTS.**WAR.**

To VanSicklen, Walker & Co.,	60,....\$	15 99
“ Wilkins & Lyman, coal bill,	130, ...	19 95
“ G. W. Beckwith, Sup't, on repairs,	1,454 72
“ Walker Bros. & Co., center stones,	290,....	9 30
“ William Zottman, Sup't,	5,487 34
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	\$	6,987 30

STREET LIGHT DEPARTMENT.**RECEIPTS.**

From city tax appropriation,\$	3,500 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.**WAR.**

To balance of account Dec. 31, 1875,	\$	477 93
“ G. F. Collison & Co., repairing lamps,	9,....	137 70
“ Globe Gas Light Co., street lighting,	8,....	91 36
“ Brink & Co., lamp posts,	13,....	32 00
“ N. Allen, assignee, lighting lamps,	21,....	63 25
“ A. G. Lucas, glazing	“ 16,....	27 15
“ Remi Beauchemin, lighting	“ 12,....	7 50
“ Central Vt. railroad, freight,	18,....	3 17
“ C. E. Adams, lamp globes,	17,....	24 00

	WAR.	
To Burlington Gas Light Co.,	46,....\$	592 52
“ W. Denning, setting lamp posts,	52,....	3 00
“ C. Dublois, painting “	52,....	7 50
“ G. F. Collison & Co., repairing lamps,	55,....	42 23
“ W. J. Langshore, lighting lamps,	56,....	63 25
“ Remi Beauchemin, “ “	57,....	5 00
“ A. Guyette, painting lamp posts,	61,....	17 38
“ N. Allen, assignee, lighting lamps,	65,....	63 25
“ Remi Beauchemin, “ “	66,....	5 00
“ A. Guyette, painting lamp posts,	63,....	1 50
“ W. J. Langshore, lighting lamps,	76,....	63 25
“ R. Beauchemin, “ “	86,....	5 00
“ B. S. Nichols & Co., repairing lamps,	90,....	13 15
“ Globe Gas Light Co., lighting “	87,....	93 14
“ W. J. Langshore, “ “	....	41 67
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	121,....	464 54
“ Globe Gas Light Co., lighting lamps,	99,....	33 00
“ Ripley & Holton, for paints,	89,....	12 70
“ W. J. Langshore, lighting lamps,	145,....	41 67
“ Globe Gas Light Co., “ “	134,....	33 00
“ W. J. Langshore, “ “	172,....	41 67
“ G. F. Collison, for repairs,	179,....	6 93
“ W. J. Langshore, lighting lamps,	....	41 67
“ Globe Gas Light Co., “ “	....	66 00
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	255,....	261 63
“ W. J. Langshore, lighting lamps,	213,....	41 67
“ Globe Gas Light Co., “ “	220,....	37 95
“ Brink & Co., lamp post,	227,....	17 50
“ W. J. Langshore, lighting lamps,	251,....	41 67
“ Globe Gas Light Co., “ “	250,....	44 00
“ W. J. Langshore, lighting lamps	269,....	41 67
“ Burlington Gas Light Co.,	284,....	507 17
“ Globe Gas Light Co., lighting lamps,	270,....	44 00
“ T. W. Fisher, & Co., lamp globes,	264,....	40 00
“ W. J. Langshore, lighting lamps,	307,....	41 67
“ W. Zottman, Sup't, for repairs,	....	84 25

\$ 3,825 26

BALANCE SHEET.

	Disbursements.	Receipts.	Dr. Balance.	Cr. Balance.
Bills payable, water bonds.....	\$10,100 00	\$255,000 00		\$244,900 00
Bills payable, improvement bonds.....		37,000 00		35,000 00
Bills payable in aid of B. & L. railroad.....		160 000 00		160,000 00
Bills payable, loans.....	18,000 00	32,234 22		14,234 22
Bills receivable, deposit receipts.....	4 800 00		4,800 00	
Burlington water works, construction.....	254,352 70	569 79	253,782 91	
Burlington water works, current.....	24 746 40	24,746 40		
Burlington water works, pumping.....	6 991 64	6,991 64		
B. & L. R. R. capital stock.....	160,000 00		160,000 00	
Cemetery Commissioners.....	1 216 16	1 089 89	126 27	
City Hall Department.....	1 780 15	1,780 15		
City Real Estate.....	23,645 91	11,513 91	12,132 00	
City Market.....	783 16	783 16		
City Tax, 1874.....	270 27	270 27		
City Tax, 1875.....	11 243 64	11,243 64		
City Tax, 1876.....	50,956 56	59,806 00		8,849 44
City Highway and School Tax col. 1875.....	899 76	918 86		19 10
City Highway and School Tax col. 1876.....	87,971 00	87,972 51		1 51
Colchester, town of.....	60 02	60 02		
Criminal Department.....	4,915 68	5,030 32		114 64
Fire Department.....	2,845 91	3,495 80		649 89
Fletcher Free Library.....	3,206 60	3,000 00	206 60	
Green Mount Cemetery Association.....	225 85		225 85	
Improvement of Streets and Sewers.....	35,000 00		35,000 00	
Interest Account.....	2 843 83	2,843 83		
Interest Account, water bonds.....	14 694 00	14 694 00		
Interest Account, improvement bonds.....	2,100 00	2,100 00		
Interest Account, B. L. R. R.....	4,800 00	9 600 00		4,800 00
Incidental Department.....	6,411 18	6,411 18		
Johnson, Elmore. Supt.....	1,935 18	1,935 18		
License Department.....	663 30	663 30		
Liquor Agency, M. A. Everts, agt.....	3,605 59	3,605 59		
Liquor Agency, I. Shattuck, agt.....	3,765 81	3,765 81		
Liquor Agency, I Shattuck, agt. bal.....	1,194 03		1,194 03	
Ministerial Fund.....	49 88	49 88		
Parks, City Hall and Battery.....	915 16	915 16		
Park, College.....	3 65	3 65		
Poor Department.....	7,257 94	7,257 94		
School Department.....	33,601 46	31,501 46	2,100 00	
Sewer Department.....	12,997 47	6 417 14	6,580 33	
Sinking Fund.....		20,105 68		20,105 68
Street Department.....	6,987 30	7,835 47		848,17
Street Light Department.....	3,825 26	3,500 00	325 26	
Cash Balance.....	13 049 40		13 049 40	
	\$824,711 85	\$824,711 85	\$489,522 65	\$489,522 65

G. D. WELLER.

City Treasurer.

BURLINGTON, December 30, 1876.

We have examined the foregoing statement of the City Treasurer, together with the vouchers for the items of each department, and find the same correct.

We also find against the Green Mount Cemetery Association, an account of \$225.85, which has been standing on the books of the Treasurer for several years, notwithstanding there is on file, in the City Clerk's office, a bond, given by interested parties, for the payment of this amount.

In the opinion of your auditors, payment should be enforced.

January 15, 1877.

C. F. WARD,	}	Auditors.
WM. G. WATSON,		
GEO. W. BECKWITH.		

MAYOR'S ESTIMATES.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor herewith to submit for your consideration, a statement of the Assets and liabilities of the City, together with an estimate of the ordinary expenses, (except for parks) and the amount necessary to be raised by taxation, for the current year.

I find the balance in the Treasury on the 1st of January, 1877, to have been.....	\$13,147 07
That of the tax of 1874, is uncollected,.....	1,086 00
* " " " " " 1875, "	4,819 00
* " " " " " 1876, "	6,000 00
Uncollected Water rents, 1875-6,.....	1,821 77
Due from Green Mount Cemetery Association,.....	225 85
" " School Department,.....	2,100 00
Total,.....	<u>\$29,199 69</u>

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FOR ENSUING YEAR :

From Licenses,.....	\$ 250 00
" Liquor Agency,.....	250 00
" Rents of City Hall Building,.....	1,500 00
" " " City Market "	300 00
" Criminal Department,.....	500 00
" Water (service) Rates,	18,000 00
	<u>\$20,800 00</u>
Total,.....	<u>\$49,999 69</u>

* Exclusive of the taxes assessed against the several Railroads.

LIABILITIES:

For temporary loans,	\$20,105 68
“ Water Works, (construction),	1,144 22
“ Street Department, (extraordinary),	848 17
“ *Sewer Department, (construction account),	3,813 62
Total Liabilities,	<u>\$25,911 69</u>

*NOTE.—This amount is the proportion of the cost of construction charged to the city, over and above the amount assessed upon abutting property.

ESTIMATED EXPENSES:

For the Sinking Fund,	\$ 4,000 00
“ Salaries,	3,000 00
“ Pauper Department,	7,000 00
“ Fletcher Free Library (current expenses),	2,500 00
“ Criminal Department,	2,500 00
“ Fire Department,	2,500 00
“ Care of City Hall Building—repairs including gas and fuel,	1,200 00
“ Printing, Advertising and Miscellaneous,	6,000 00
“ Street lighting,	3,000 00
“ Current expenses of Water Works,	9,000 00
“ Temporary Loans,	1,200 00
“ Interest on Water Bonds,	14,694 00
“ “ “ Improvement Bonds,	2,100 00
“ “ “ Bonds in aid of B. & L. R. R.,	9,600 00
“ “ “ U. S. Deposit Fund,	1,770 76
“ “ “ Warrants drawn on the Treasury since January 1st,	2,568 09
Total,	<u>\$72,632 85</u>
Add present liabilities,	25,911 69
Total,	<u>\$98,544 54</u>

Less Assets, \$49,999 69

Required to be raised by tax, \$48,544 85

The Grand List of the City, for 1876, is, \$39,235 47

125 cents on the dollar of said list, will raise, \$49,044 34

It will be necessary to raise, for the current year,

A City tax of 125 cents,

A Highway tax of 20 cents,

A School tax of 50 cents,

Total, 195 cents.

The Bonded debt of the city, is as follows :

Water Bonds, \$244,900 00

Improvement Bonds, 35,000 00

Bonds in aid of B. & L. R. R., 160,000 00

Total, \$439,900 00

The Sinking Fund :

Holds of the bonded debt, \$ 16,850 00

" " Funds not invested, 20,105 68

Total, \$36,955 68

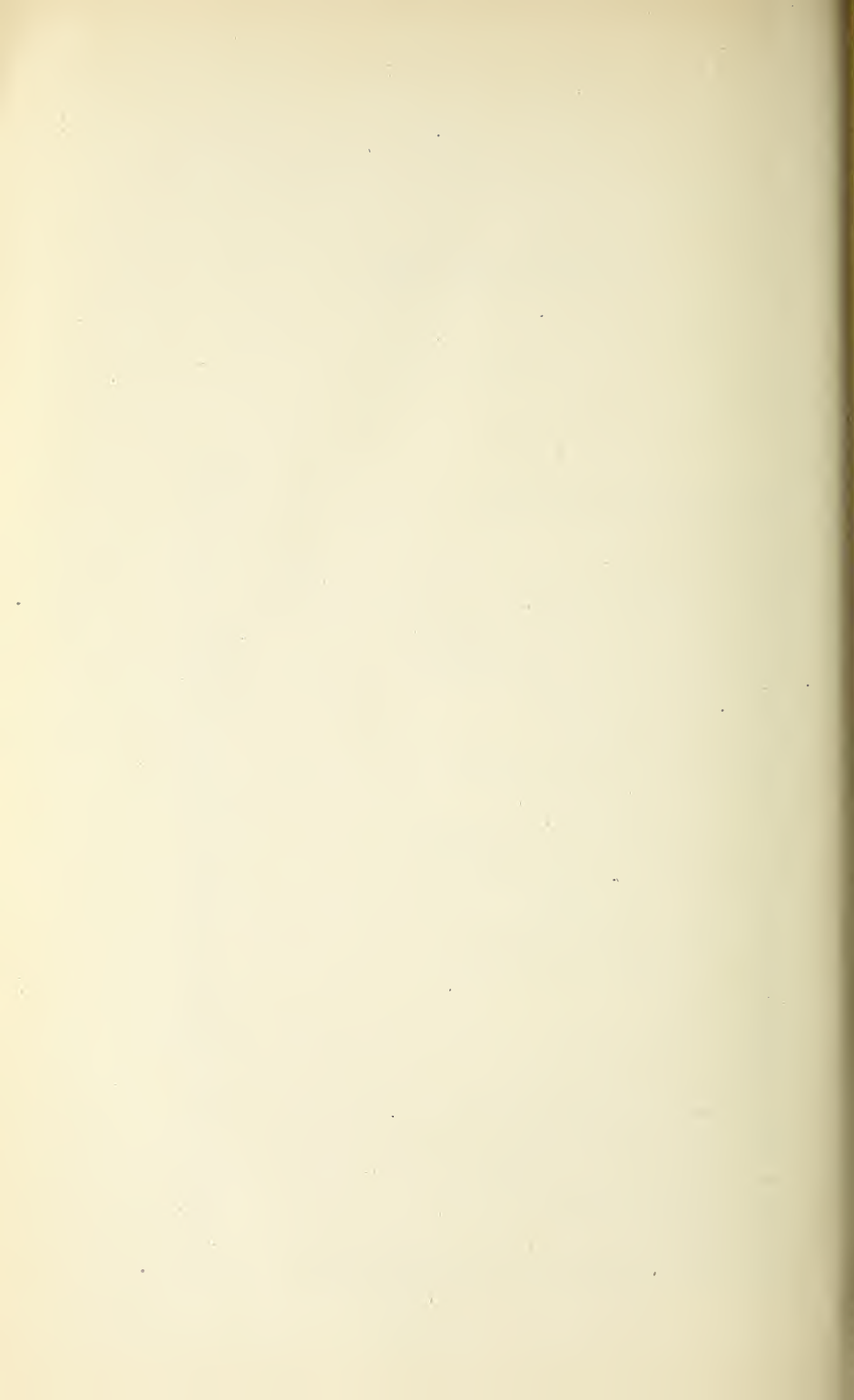
Net bonded debt, January 1, 1877, \$402,944 32

JO D. HATCH, Mayor

Burlington, Vt. February 5, 1877.

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City Election.

WARNING :

The Legal Voters in City meeting, of the City of Burlington, Vermont, are hereby notified to meet on

TUESDAY, THE 6th DAY OF MARCH, 1877,

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, in their respective Wards, at the several election precincts hereinafter named, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, a City Judge, a County Commissioner : and for the purpose of electing in

WARD ONE,—One Alderman, and Ward Officers, : in

WARD TWO,—One Alderman, one School Commissioner, and Ward Officers ; in

WARD THREE,—One Alderman, and Ward Officers ; in

WARD FOUR,—One Alderman, one School Commissioner, and Ward Officers ; and in

WARD FIVE,—One Alderman, one School Commissioner, and Ward Officers.

All of whom to hold office for the term of one year, except Aldermen and School Commissioners, who are to be elected for terms of two years each ;

The following are designated as Voting Places :

In Ward 1,—the School house near the residence of Henry W. Catlin, on Colchester Avenue.

In Ward 2,—the Hose House of Star Hose Company No. 2, on North Street, near Winooski Avenue.

In Ward 3,—the Hose House of Barnes Hose Co., No. 7, on Champlain Street, East side.

In Ward 4,—the City Court room in the City Hall Building.

In Ward 5,—the room in the basement of the "Van Ness House," St. Paul Street side.

The polls will open at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and close at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

JO D. HATCH, Mayor.

BURLINGTON, VT. February 23, 1877.

